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BY THE WAY.

—The "Saloon Organ"—Chestnuts.

—Yesterday was another "cold day" for the "public subscription."

—The Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A., meet this evening at 8 o'clock.

—Mosquitoes were plentiful in town on Saturday and Sunday. Since then they have vanished.

—The collection in the M. E. Church on Thanksgiving Day amounted to $40. It was given to the Relief Association.

—Green brook was frozen over this morning, which is said to be an unusual occurrence at this season of the year.

—There is one satisfaction after last night's experience—we can say we have passed through some of the worst of the cold weather.

—Hunters say the quail, that early in the season were plentiful, have disappeared again. Gone to Florida for their health, as it were.

—The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U., will be held in their rooms, 65 East Front street, Tuesday afternoon next at three o'clock.

—Jackson, Theodore and Horace Van Nest were confined in the County Jail at Elizabeth, just three months up to last Monday morning.

—Tonight at the M. E. church, Miss Jessie Couthoui will make her reappearance. She deserves from us a cordial—and a profitable—welcome.

—Application for membership in the Y. M. C. A. should be filed with the Committee at the Association rooms, this evening, between 7:30 and 8 o'clock.

—The Committee of the W. R. C. of this city, to whom is due the credit for the success of the recent bazaar, will meet this evening, and settle up their accounts.

—The College of New Jersey at Princeton, has in the United States Senate at present, three graduates, Senators Cameron, '52, of Pennsylvania; Colquitt, '44, of Georgia, and Gray, 59 of Delaware.

—Reserved-seat tickets were today placed on sale at the usual places for Mr. Leo Daft's lecture in Music Hall, on the evening of Dec. 8th. The subject of the lecture will be "Electricity," and the proceeds will be given to Trinity Reformed church.

—New Yorkers feel bad because the "Nutmeg State" got ahead of them in sending a big turkey to the President for his Thanksgiving dinner. But we advise them to dry up their tears, for we intend to gobble up the whole State of New York next Fall.

—Fashions in base ball for next year are announced already. It will be allowable next year to change the battery at the end of any completed inning; but only two new men can be introduced in a game *unless some one should be injured.* A man once retired cannot play again in that game.

—The 874 convicts in the State Prison were treated to a Thanksgiving dinner of *roast pork, mashed potatoes and turnips,* pumpkin pie, coffee, and as much bread as they wanted. John M. Jackson of this city, will be treated to fifteen just such dinners. How he must look forward to them with pleasure?

—Henry M. Staats and Sarah M. Staats, husband and wife, convicted of retaining $450 which the latter found in a shirt she was washing for Frank Nevius of Westfield, were arranged for sentence at Elizabeth yesterday. Mrs. Staats is in ill health, and the court imposed a fine of $25. Staats was sentenced to the County Jail for three months.

—"English as She is Wrote" is to blame for the statement that the "Double Dramatic Association" will play "Ours" at Music Hall, next Monday evening. Our Brooklyn friends who are so proud because the Kemble Association is admired all over the country, will faint when they see how entirely unknown is its existence to even a Jersey journalist—who knows how to run a newspaper for a dollar.

THE FIREBUG TRIALS FINISHED.

Theo. VanNest Released and Eph Carmon Will Be if Bail is Furnished

THE PRESS of yesterday alone secured for publication the confession of Jackson to the Court before sentence was passed upon him; to this matter, and from these columns, the New York papers of this morning devote considerable space.

We also stated that the case of Theo. VanNest would be laid over until the next term, and that he would be admitted to bail in a nominal sum. But as a report was printed in another source, last evening, that "the cases of Ephriam Carman and Theodore VanNest will be moved for trial, Dec. 10th," we pause to —maybe unnecessarily—deny it.

The state of the case is: to-morrow—which is the 2d, and not the "10th,"—will *see the close of the present term of Court.* The indictments against Theo. VanNest, charged jointly with Jackson with firing the McCutchen barn, and against Eph Carmon for firing the barn that kindled Cook's lumber yard, must then be tried or go over until the next term in January. The last mentioned will be the result. The cases will not be moved to trial to-morrow, and if "Negro Eph" Carmon can raise bail to the amount of $300, he will be released. It is said that three names ready to go on the bond in $100 each, might be secured for him, but "Eph" does not know where to look, and will probably spend Christmas still in jail.

This morning Mr. Robert Walker of this city, gave bail in the sum of $300 for the appearance of Theodore VanNest, if wanted, at the next term of Court. The accused was then released after three month's confinement, *and he looked* particularly happy over it. When he reached the outdoor atmosphere, however, he noticed the change since he last saw the blue sky. He felt the want of an overcoat, but on his arrival in Plainfield forgot all discomfort and thought only of the comfort of reaching home again.

Who'll Get the Reward?

In April last the National Board of Underwriters offered a reward of $500 for information that would lead to the arrest and conviction of the incendiary who fired the Parse house on Union avenue.

Yesterday, after a conviction through circumstantial evidence entirely, John M. Jackson and two Van Nests were sentenced to State Prison, five years each, for such fire.

Now who gets the reward?—if anybody.

At the preliminary examination—upon which the Van Nests were held, and afterwards indicted—Officer Lynch offered the only direct "information" that appears in the case. But as it was *information furnished him by Jackson,* possibly to Jackson alone is the reward due.

Well, it would help his worthy wife, just now and through months to come.

But then it would help officer Lynch, too.

Notice.

Veterans of 28th N. J. V.

The survivers of the 28th Regt. N. J. V. are respectfully invited to lunch with me on the 5th day of December next, at two o'clock p. m., which day will be the twenty-fifth anniversary of the crossing of the Potomac by the Regt. on the steamer "Long Branch." As many as can be present *will assemble in the Hall* at 12 o'clock, noon, when there will be addresses made, befitting the occasion, by a number of Veterans. Those who can be present will please notify me by postal or otherwise.

STEPHEN MARTIN,
Rippowan House,
So. Amboy, N. J.

Democratic Primaries To-Night.

The Democratic voters of the First and Second wards in this city will meet in the Democratic Association rooms on West Front street, this evening, to nominate one councilman from each ward and other ward officers. At the same time and place delegates will also be elected to the city Democratic Convention which meets on Saturday at 7:30 o'clock, to place in nomination three Councilman-at-Large, two chosen freeholders, one assessor, collector, treasurer, city judge and school trustee. The first ward is entitled to six delegates and the second to four. On Friday evening the third and fourth ward *primaries will be held.*

The Total Registration.

The total number of names registered for the coming charter election in this *city is 2,032. On Tuesday, the last registration day,* only 89 names were added to the rolls in the four wards. The total registry in each ward is as follows:

First ward	497
Second ward	461
Third ward	400
Fourth ward	674
Total	2,032

—Last Sunday evening you were sitting *on your piazzas, rather warm and bothered* by an occasional mosquito. Last night the thermometer registered within a few degrees of zero.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mrs. Wear of Orange, N. J., is *visiting* her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brokaw, of East Third street.

Miss Ellen Riley of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Staats on Park avenue.

Miss Sue and Mr. Carl Emerson of Union avenue, who are studying at Alfred University, Alfred Centre, N. Y., are home.

Mr. James Wilson of West Seventh street, is recovering from serious illness, which has confined him to the house for the past week.

Hon. Job Male on Tuesday evening sent in a contribution of twenty-five dollars to the City Republican Executive Committee, to be devoted in part payment for rent of the Association rooms.

Fire Commissioner Wm. K. McClure returned yesterday from a week's duck shooting on Chesepeake Bay. He reports having had a delightful time, and brought home some fine specimens of the feather backs.

Rev. J. L. Hurlbut, D. D., will speak for the Y. M. C. A. Seniors, at the Association room, to-morrow (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. Dr. Hurlbut in his Bible Talks, seems admirably adapted to arrest the attention *of the young student of* the Bible, and it is hoped that a large attendance of Seniors may greet him on that occasion.

Miss Emma U. King entertained a large *circle of her friends and acquaintances* at the residence of her mother, Mrs. L. Prescott, on W. Second street, last evening, the occasion being her birthday. Guests were present from Elizabeth, Rahway, Somerville and elsewhere, besides many from this city. Prof. Frazee was on hand with his orchestra of string music, and the young people spent several hours very pleasantly in dancing, etc. The usual collation was served.

Music Hall Directors' Meeting.

The Board of Directors of Stillman Music Hall held a meeting in the Secretary's office on Tuesday evening. Heretofore some people have been of the opinion that the seating of Music Hall has been arbitrarily cut up by placing on sale the reserved seat tickets in three of the drug stores of the city. Consequently the directors decided to limit the number of places to two, and invited sealed bids from all the druggists in the city for the privilege of selling one-half of the seats in the house. Messrs. Field & Randolph and Joseph G. Miller were awarded the privilege for one year, dating from December 15th.

Reform Club Election.

This evening will occur the annual meeting for the election of officers to serve the Reform Club for the ensuing year. Since President French, who has presided over the club since its birth, has *declined a re-election,* considerable anxiety is felt over the selection of his successor. Rev. W. E. Honeyman would be the proper person in the proper place, but his ill health prevents him from accepting the presidency. It is to be hoped, however, that a capable and affable gentleman will be chosen to succeed Mr. French to the chair.

Of Interest to Our Ladies.

Carpenters and painters are rapidly changing the appearance of the store at No. 18 West Front street, and the electric light fitters are arranging its interior for perfect illumination previous to the *coming in of the new firm* and the *new stock* of Van Emburgh & White. The date of opening of this "Department Store" will be announced in THE PRESS to-morrow.

—Holiday goods already begin to have a sale. By the way, tax-paying time and the holidays are not very far in advance in the procession of weeks.

—What better enterprise can our readers wish for than that displayed yesterday. Ten minutes after the firebugs were sentenced at Elizabeth yesterday morning, THE PRESS announced the fact from its bulletin in front of the office.

—The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad bridge, at Elizabethport, is progressing finely. The immense pier on the Elizabeth side of the river is almost finished, and the one on the Staten Island side is getting along rapidly. The work will be pushed as rapidly as possible, and kept up until it gets cold enough to freeze the fresh-water pipes running down to the works, after which the work on the piers will have to be abandoned, as salt water cannot be used in mixing the mortar.

—On Tuesday next will occur the annual charter election in this city. At the same time the voters of the city, will decide, by their ballots, the matter of granting an extra appropriation for school purposes. There can be no denial of the fact that the present school accommodations are limited, and unless the facilities are increased it is thought to be *only a matter of a short time before* the Board of Education will be obliged to adopt the half-day system in order to accommodate the school children.

An Old Plainfield Bachelor's Suicide.

At 341 Adelphi street, Brooklyn, last Sunday, Mr. Wm. Philipitt shot himself three times in the breast and died from the effects. He was temporarily insane at the time and the day before had applied at the Myrtle Avenue station for *police protection. The suicide is believed* to be Wm. Philipitt who some fifteen years ago was in the grocery business on Park avenue with Mr. Wm. Freeman of Fifth street.

The house where the deed occurred is owned by Philipitt's mother. He lived there with her and his half brother, August Beck. Sunday morning he did not respond to the summons for breakfast, and when the door of his room was tried it was found to be fastened. Philipitt did not reply to repeated calls and Beck fearing that something had happened, went to 321 Adelphi street, and got a friend named Warner Ketcham to go to the house with him and force an entrance into the room. They pushed in the door, which was locked on the inside, and found Philipitt lying on the bed. He was partly dressed, and his slippers were on his feet. *In the left breast, near the heart,* were three bullet wounds from which blood had flowed, staining the bed clothing and Philipitt's apparel. There was no sign of life in him, and Dr. Bryant, of Greene avenue and Adelphi street, was called. He said Philipitt had been dead several hours, as his body was cold.

On the bed alongside of the body lay a 32-calibre revolver with three chambers emptied. It was comparatively new, having been purchased by Philipitt but a few days ago. The dead man was 41 years old and a bachelor. His mother is wealthy, owning several houses, and Philipitt's only occupation was to collect the rents and look after the repairs, etc. Several weeks ago his mother and half brother noticed that he looked strange and did not act as he had previously. He seemed to be deeply depressed, but gave *no information as to what ailed him* when asked by his relatives. He did not drink to excess, and there has been no suspicion expressed so far that there is anything wrong with his financial affairs. The *mother and half brother say they did not* hear the shots fired.

Parlor Sale.

The parlor sale held yesterday afternoon and evening by the ladies of the Church of the Holy Cross, was as usual a great success socially and financially. A large booth, lighted by electricity, occupied the middle of the room; another on the side, built of evergreen; one where the children were attracted by articles exclusively for them, was placed at the North end of the room. A refreshment room was provided for the hungry and thirsty, where such could be furnished with every delicacy. Provision and fancy articles in abundance were provided and fair hands were busy all day in serving patrons. The rooms were thronged both afternoon and evening. The *receipts were about $500, more or less. The* ladies prominent in serving and active work were: Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Tyler, Mrs. Potts, Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Taggart, Mrs. Dupee, Mrs. McClymont, Mrs. Turrel, Mrs. Lowitz, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Wann, Mrs. Curtis and the Misses Luther, Musgrave, Halderman, Murphy, Storms, Colton, Smith, Long, Hasbrouck, Potter, Woltman and various others. The rooms were crowded and everybody went away feeling that they had had a good time.

An Appeal.

THE PRESS today appeals to a charitable public to assist in a deserved object. The appeal is not to raise funds to purchase a badge or medal for any person posing before the public as a hero or benefactor, but it is in the interest of a deserving and suffering woman. We allude to Mrs. Estella M. Jackson, the unfortunate wife of the firebug sentenced yesterday to a term of fifteen years in State Prison for his *misdemeanor. We have known Mrs. Jackson* for the past eleven years, and heartily commend her to public sympathy. She is deserving of charity and is in dire distress. Friends have assisted her and are still doing so, but here is a chance for the Plainfield public to help a deserving fellow being, instead of wasting mawkish sentiment and gush over rewarding somebody for simply doing a work that he was paid for. Mrs. Jackson informs us that she is out of coal and needs other necessaries of life. Any monies that the public may feel disposed to donate towards this deserving case will be received at THE PRESS office and delivered.

The Plumbers Repudiate Them.

To the Editor of THE PRESS:—In behalf of the Plumbers' Union of this city I would like you to state in your columns the following facts. That we, as a body of plumbers, had no hand whatever in the beating of the man Nowland, as, from what we can learn, the parties arrested for the assault have no affiliation with us *whatever, and are by trade painters,* mechanics and hatters. They do not even belong to the International Order, Knights of Labor.

GEORGE KILLIAN.

North Plainfield Democrats Organize

Pursuant to a call the Democratic voters of North Plainfield township met in French's Hall on Somerset street, last evening, and perfected a permanent organization. Mr. John Bodine as Chairman *pro tem,* called the meeting to order. *A larger number were present than* at any previous meeting, and the utmost good-will and harmony prevailed. The grievances that have kept the good workers of the party at arm's length in the past, have been well-nigh healed, and the prospect for concerted action on the part of the workers is vastly improved. New men at the helm have obliterated the petty differences that existed, and it is to be hoped that the Democracy of North Plainfield will be in good working order in the future. When the time arrived for electing officers the following were unanimously elected:

President—Samuel Townsend.

Vice President, 1st District—Louis R. Blackford; 2d District—C. J. Feytel.

Secretary—Andrew E. Kenney.

Treasurer—Andrew Love, Sr.

At the completion of the business *session the newly elected officers* and other members of the Association indulged in speech making. A large number who have hitherto withheld their names from the roll of membership freely signed last night, and expressed themselves as well pleased with the organization. The various committees to be appointed by the President were left until the next regular meeting, which will be called at a convenient time in January.

North Plainfield Township Committee Meeting.

The Committee of North Plainfield Township met in Warren Engine house on Tuesday evening for the purpose of receiving the road bills. Chairman Vail presided, and the other members present were Messrs. R. R. Fairchild and Harrison Coddington. The clerk, William D. Craig, read the minutes of the previous meeting and they were approved as read. Claims for work on the roads were presented from the several districts, as follows:

Dist. No. 1—Aaron Allen	$182.75
" No. 2—Elias Allen	205.12
" No. 3—Frank Mohan	123.24
" No. 4—John R. Doty	193.80
" No. 5—Wm. H. Holman	141.58

All of the above claims were ordered *paid with the exception of No. 3,* which was referred back to be made out in different shape. The following claims were presented for services as Commissioners of Appeal: Jacob Long, $3; Thos. Rutledge, $3; R. G. Silvers, $3. All were ordered paid when properly sworn to; also the bill of Amos Vail, $50; for services as a member of the committee. A claim of $21,90 from the Somerset *Unionist-Gazette* for advertising, was returned to be made out on a township blank and sworn to. The township Counsel was requested to consult with Mr. P. M. French with reference to the repairing of the stone wall along Somerset street, above the dam.

The meeting then adjourned subject to a call by the chair.

How to Run a Newspaper for a Dollar.

The Westfield editor must have "sent a dollar to Plainfield for the recipe to run a newspaper." In last week's *Standard* he announces that

> Arthur Clark, son of Hon. Amos Clark, Jr., was married last Wednesday evening to Emily, daughter of Silas Pierson, at the bride's residence, in the presence of a large company of relatives and friends.

The only trouble with this item is the fact that Arthur Clark has no more married Miss Emily Pierson, than has Miss Pierson married Mr. Clark.

All this is most as bad as the following published in this city, last evening:

> Frederick Robinson has been chosen as the candidate for councilman from the Fourth ward to fill the vacancy caused by the declination of Daniel S. Roberts.

No person by the name of Frederick Robinson lives in this city or ever did live in it. A gentleman by the name of Frederick Robertson once lived in North Plainfield—but he died. Besides there never has been any vacancy in the Fourth ward, and when Mr. Roberts declined to stand in the First ward his place was filled by the nomination of Mr. J. F. MacDonald, *as stated in THE PRESS of yesterday.* The gentleman nominated and running in the Fourth ward, is Mr. Wm. Addis.

—It has been computed that the death rate of the globe is 67 a minute; 97,790 a day, and 32,535,836 a year; and the birth rate 70 a minute, 100,800 a day and 36,792,000 a year.

—Mr. John G. Haberle of No. 17 Somerset street, whose advertisement appears elsewhere today, is a manufacturer and dealer in fine cigars, tobacco and smoker's material. His specialty is clear Havana cigars. Mr. Haberle has recently devoted *considerable time and* expense in fitting up a beautiful winter scene, which he has placed in his show window. The scene represents a log cabin, such as is now in use in the South, and is very realistic in appearance. Other *buildings* and objects appear in the production, and the same are constructed almost entirely of tobacco in some form or other.

WASHINGTONVILLE.

Mrs. Underhill of Highland Farm, is spending the Winter with her sister, Mrs. Pope at Baltimore.

The ice on the ponds in this vicinity this morning was thick enough to admit of skating and the icemen are happy in consequence thereof.

Ex-Mayor Lang of Newark is about to erect a handsome house on his large farm at Union Village. In style it is to be modern in architecture. He will use it as a Summer residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Brada Lenisien tendered a sociable to a party of their friends last evening, and a large number of persons responded to the invitation to be present. Vocal and instrumental music, games and refreshments, kept the guests in joyous spirits until a late hour.

George Stadler, a young man in the employ of Mr. Thomas Turnbull, who resides near Berkley Heights, was severely injured on Wednesday by being kicked in the face by a horse which he was grooming at the time. His jaw was dislocated *and his front teeth knocked out.* The injured man was taken into his employer's house and medical aid at once summoned. The doctor found the patient suffering from a nervous shock, besides the injuries above alluded to. The bones were reset and the fragments of teeth removed from the young man's mouth. Today he is reported as somewhat improved, but it will be several weeks before he will be able to leave the house.

County Board of Agriculture.

A regular meeting of the Union County Board of Agriculture was to have been held at Elizabeth this afternoon. The Secretary of the State Board has sent out a list of questions which he wishes the County Boards to answer in their annual report. Following are some of the questions on the list, which should engage the attention of the farmers in this locality:

1. How many farmers in your township are engaged in the retail milk trade?

2. Are they satisfied with the workings of the present milk law? If not, why not?

3. What are farms rated at per acre for taxation in your township?

4. What is the rate of tax per $100 on real estate in your township?

5. *What amount is raised for working* the roads in your township this year?

6. What is the selling price of average farms, with improvements, in your township—voluntary sales.

7. Is the raising of horses, cows, sheep, swine and poultry on the increase, or decrease?

The Car Stove Must Go.

It seems to be a settled fact that the demand of the public for a substitution of some means of heating railroad passenger cars in place of the dreaded stove, is to be complied with. Steam will probably be satisfactorily used. The Central Rail*road Company has taken the initiative in* the direction, and while a number of railroads have been planning and experimenting, has quietly gone to work and introduced a system of steam heating in the cars on the Newark and New York branch. The system is known as the Gold steam car heater. The steam is obtained from the locomotive, very much as it is supplied to the Westinghouse brakes. One train has been equipped, and is working very satisfactorily. All the trains on the branch will be fitted up as speedily as possible. If the success of the system is assured, it will be introduced on all branches of the road as quickly as practicable.

Food for Thought.

Our distinguished firebugs think that it's a "burning shame" that they should be sent to State Prison.

At the election held last week in Atlanta, Ga., the city went "wet." The Prohibitionists declare, however, that that is no reason why they should "dry up."

"The Fishing Commission will meet on porpoise to cod each other."—*Ex.* Oh, yes; there'll be a good eel of that kind of business, but it remains to be seine what the net results of the conference will be.

Commuters between Plainfield and New York are puzzling themselves over the question: "Why, according to the new time table, it requires four minutes more for a train to run from here to Elizabeth than from there to this city, stopping at all stations each way?

Children Should Go to School.

The attention of parents and guardians is called to the law now in vogue in this State requiring all children of school age, under fourteen years old, to attend our public free schools, at least three months in each year, under a penalty of ten dollars, unless by reason of sickness such child shall not be able to attend. There are, we fear, many parents in town who neglect their duty in this particular. *Too many boys are allowed* to run the streets day and night forming evil and idle habits. Ignorance and vice go hand in hand.

THE WORK SHUT DOWN

FROM 3,000 TO 6,000 MEN MADE IDLE YESTERDAY.

By the Stopping of Operations on the Electrical Subway Many Men Face a Hard Winter With No Work.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—About 6,000 men who have been employed in the construction of the electrical subway since last July will be idle to-day and it is not known when they will resume work again. Some think work will be resumed in a week or so, and many are of the opinion that nothing will be done until spring.

It has been the custom for years in this city to close all street excavations by December 1, or earlier if cold weather sets in.

The sad feature about the affair is that thousands of industrious men with families dependent upon them are thrown out of work just at the approach of the holidays. P. J. Travis, one of the contractors's superintendents, says that no less than 5,000 men were employed on the work. They were laborers, masons, carpenters, pavers, rammers, cartmen, electricians, pipe-layers, foremen, timekeepers, clerks, inspectors and so on. The work was being done under the supervision of the Phœnix Construction company by John D. Crimmins.

The work was begun last July, soon after the bill authorizing its construction became a law.

When General Newton finally decided that all openings or trenches should close to-day Mr. Crimmins decided not to combat his authority, and word was passed to his employes that work would stop.

The men were at work all day yesterday. In some places they were laying iron tubes, in others filling trenches, and in still others paving sections which had been finished. They worked with little or no vim or spirit. The fact that they were to be thrown out of work at nightfall had a distressing effect on them. They moved about like automatons and without the activity that characterized them all along.

Captain Stewart J. Donnelly, a division superintendent, said that almost all the trenches would be filled by midnight. However, he said, there were one or two places in this city that would require one or two weeks' work to restore them to their original condition.

The work was in this condition last night at twilight.

Members of the board of electrical control freely stated yesterday that they were opposed to the stoppage of the work because the enforced idleness of so many workmen would be the result, and because they contended that the work could be proceeded with unattended by the evil results to the public health that follow street excavations in spring and summer.

It was said at the department of public works that General Newton would grant special permits for opening 100-foot trenches from time to time if the weather warranted it. Everybody connected with the work say that unless they could open trenches one block long they could not proceed properly with the work.

THE READING'S DILEMMA.

Their Men Refuse to Handle "Scab" Coal and Aid Asked from the Courts.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—The prospects are that the Lehigh strike will get into the supreme court of Pennsylvania before long. Last Saturday A. Pardee & Sons sent down from Hazleton by the Reading railroad 22 cars of coal as an experiment, to ascertain whether they would be interrupted. They were side-tracked on Sunday in the outskirts of this city and efforts on the part of the consignees here on Tuesday and yesterday to compel the Reading company to deliver the coal proved ineffectual, inasmuch as the Reading employees refused to handle the coal. If the men who disobeyed orders had been discharged a big strike on the Reading system would have been precipitated. Consequently the Reading company is powerless.

Pardee & Sons, it is said, will appeal to the attorney-general of the state to compel the company to transport and deliver the coal. In the afternoon a committee of the various miners' organizations and Reading employees held a conference with President Corbin and the receivers, with a view of securing the mediation of the Reading company between the Lehigh operators and the miners, but with indifferent success. To-day they propose holding conferences with the editors of the leading newspapers here to secure their sympathy and support for the striking miners.

Dead Letter Office Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The report of John B. Baird, superintendent of the dead letter office, shows that the number of pieces of original mail matter received during the year ended June 30, 1887, to have been 5,635,853, an increase of nearly 11 4-10 per cent over the previous year; in addition to this number there were 239,810 letters without inclosures previously sent to the writers, but failing of delivery, returned to the office, and 3,786 letters on hand at the beginning of the year, making a total number of pieces handled 5,578,965, or more than 18,000 per day, or an average of 46 a minute. Of this number 19,110 were without any address whatever.

Fifteen Rounds Fought.

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 1.—John Donohue, of Boston, and James Curley, of Nashua, N. H., fought fifteen rounds to a finish with bare knuckles for $250 and the gate receipts yesterday morning in a barn just over the Massachusetts line. Forty sports paid $5 apiece to witness the contest. Curly had the best of the fight for ten rounds, after which Donohue assumed the offensive, and in the fifteenth round knocked Curley out by a blow under the chin. A peculiar feature of the mill was that during the last three rounds neither man could see the other, their eyes being closed. Donohue's nose was broken in the thirteenth round.

Ship Railway Company Chartered.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 1.—Col. Andrews, of the Tehauntepec Ship Railway company, has received the charter from Albany, N. Y., where it had been sent for Gov. Hill's signature. A meeting of the stockholders will be held in New York next week and the organization completed. Arrangements will be made to commence immediately upon the work.

Ice Forming on the Hudson.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Dec. 1.—The weather here last night was very cold, the thermometer standing at eleven degrees above zero. The bays and coves of the upper Hudson are filled with new ice, and ice formed in the channel north of Hudson. Two or three days of such weather would close navigation in the upper Hudson.

Boston's Mayoralty Election.

BOSTON, Dec. 1.—Nathaniel I. Bradlee, the citizens' nominee for mayor, has withdrawn from the canvass in favor of Thomas M. Hart, the republican. Mayor Wm. O'Brien was last night renominated by the democrats.

WHILE MARRYING A COUPLE.

Pastor Bagley Makes a Discovery that Astounds Him.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—A well-dressed couple drove up to the residence of J. W. Bagley, pastor of the Tabernacle church on Broadway last night to be married. The clergyman had noticed that both the couple were nicely but inexpensively dressed, and that they seemed very nervous and anxious for the ceremony to be performed as quickly as possible. The groom was a fine-looking man, but the bride's features were concealed by a heavy veil, which she seemed in no hurry to remove.

Mr. Bagly took out the marriage certificate book and began asking the usual questions. The groom gave his name as Joseph S. Ellem, thirty-two years of age, Englishman by birth, now living at Overbrook, Montgomery county, Pa., and his occupation that of a groom. Turning to the bride-elect the preacher began to question her. In a mumbling and smothered kind of voice she said her name was Emma Pye, twenty-nine years old; that she also lived at Overbrook and was employed at the same place as Ellem. The answers was satisfactory, but Mr. Bagly had his suspicion aroused by the woman keeping her veil down. He requested them to stand up before him in order to pronounce them man and wife, but before he began the ceremony he asked the bride to remove her veil. This she refused, and Mr. Bagly said he would not proceed until she did so. She still objected, when the reverend gentleman pulled the veil over her head and to his astonishment discovered that her face was covered with a gauze mask. Mr. Bagly was indignant, and he quickly tore the mask from her face, disclosing, as he termed it, the "face of a woman as black as the ace of spades."

The parties were ordered immediately from the house. The groom-elect, however, was paralyzed with fear, and asked the minister how much money it would take to keep the matter quiet.

"I will not shield you," replied Mr. Bagly, "and," he added, "get out of this place immediately, or I'll have you arrested."

The couple hastily left, got into the coupe and as fast as the coachman could drive were taken to the ferry, where they caught a boat for Philadelphia.

Rev. Dr. Parker in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The Rev. Dr. Parker, of whom so much in connection with the Beecher eulogy has been said, and who is now credited with offering to sell the manuscript of his interviews, with reminiscenses of Gladstone, for one hundred dollars a column, arrived in this city last evening by the Pennsylvania railroad Chicago limited express. He is stopping at the Everett house, and will here perfect his plans for disclosures that will not only startle the religious fraternity at large, but cause all laymen to gaze on prospective occurrences in open mouthed amazement. He retired to his room immediately on his arrival, and refused to see anyone.

Escaping from a Burning Hotel.

SUNBURY, Pa., Dec. 1.—Fire started in the office of the Packer house in this city at 1 o'clock yesterday morning, and the flames ran rapidly up the stairs. There were about twenty guests in the hotel at the time, and being cut off from the stairs they ran to the windows and all made their escape without injury. A boarder named Sheets had a rope in his trunk, and on this several lowered themselves to the ground. Others escaped on the fire company's ladders, and those in the rear part of the house jumped to the roof of the next building. The furniture and interior of the hotel is almost a total wreck. Loss, $3,000.

Pennsylvania Peace Society Celebrates.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—The twenty-first anniversary celebration of the Pennsylvania Peace society took place yesterday afternoon and evening at St. George's hall, corner of Thirteenth and Arch streets. Speeches were made by President Sarah A. Rogers, M. D.; Secretary Jonn J. Lytle, Thomas E. Longshore, Senor Romero, Mexican minister at Washington; William Jones, secretary of the London Peace society; Rev. Rowland B. Howard, secretary of the American Peace society, Boston; Jerome F. Manning, of Washington, and Mrs. Marguerite Moore, of New York.

Senator Hawley and His Wife.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Senator Hawley and his bride have arrived and have an apartment at No. 1,514 K street. Like all new senators' wives, Mrs. Hawley will have to take her card-case in hand and start out the first Thursday in December and call on all the ladies in the senatorial circle. People say that Senator Hawley's chances for the presidency are injured by his marriage to an Englishwoman, and that Americans prefer that even the president's wife shall be a native-born American.

Washington Would Like It, Too.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Washingtonians have caught the national convention fever and the district commissioners have decided to call a meeting with a view to urging upon the respective national committees the advantages of the capital. The republican committee will meet December 9, but the democratic committee will not assemble until February. The twenty-second is generally the date, but Senator Gorman and others favor an earlier date.

Sharp to Go Home To-day.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Before the sun goes down to-day Jacob Sharp will probably be at his home again. An application for his release on bail will be made in the supreme court to-day, and it is understood the district attorney will not oppose it. The old man is very weak and may never leave his house again. Col. Fellows declared that he had no doubt the people could convict Sharp again. The case will likely be tried again in February.

Passaic Left in Darkness.

PASSAIC, Dec. 1.—Michael Waters, superintendent of the gas works, has resigned, and owing to the mismanagement of his successors the supply of gas is cut off and the city is in darkness. Prayer meetings and entertainments are prevented for want of light. The new men cannot locate the trouble. When Mr. Waters resigned, it was understood that he would break the new men in.

Premier Norquay May Fall.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 1.—A sensation has been caused by the petition of E. P. Leacock, member of the legislature for Russell, to the lieutenant-governor, to immediately summon the local legislature. Leacock will attack the Red River Valley railroad contract. This action is thought to leave the Norquay government in a shaky condition.

A New Lighthouse Superintendent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Commander Frederick Rogers has been appointed lighthouse superintendent for the Third district, New York city.

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MEETING OF THE NATIONAL PROHIBITION COMMITTEE.

Prof. Samuel Dickey Elected Chairman—The National Convention to Be Held Next June in Indianapolis.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—The national committee of the prohibition party met in this city yesterday and proceeded to the selection of a chairman to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John B. Finch. Ex-Governor St. John and General Clinton B. Fisk each havedeclared that he would not and should not be the presidential candidate of the third party. Each is willing to fight in the ranks, but wanted no office.

The prohibitionists maintain that the persistent and steady growth of their party from a vote of a few thousands to hundreds of thousands affords a most encouraging vindication of its ultimate success, and they are making more strenuous efforts than ever they did before to give both magnitude and character to their next convention.

Among the prominent prohibitionists present were General Clinton B. Fisk, ex-Governor St. John, of Kansas, and Mother Stewart, of Ohio. Samuel Dickey, of Albion, Mich., was elected chairman to succeed Mr. Finch.

Indianapolis was decided upon as the place for the party's next national convention, and the first Wednesday in June, 1888, was named as the day. Prof. Dickey acknowledged his acceptance of the chairmanship of the national committee, first calling for and receiving a pledge from each of the members that they would work in the coming campaign as they had never worked before, and above all to see that there should be no move by the prohibitionists looking to fusion with any other political party whatever.

A fair audience attended the meeting held by the prohibitionists last night in honor of the late John B. Finch, the renowned temperance orator and chief of the Order of Good Templars. Gen. Clinton B. Fisk, of New York, presided. The eulogy was pronounced by Miss Frances Willard. She first told of Mr. Finch as a boy, and related this anecdote: "A man reels out of a dramshop as the boy and his mother passes. 'Johnnie, do you see that?' his mother asks. 'Oh, yes, I see it, mother, and I promise you that I will give my life to put an end to it.' The handsome face is lifted to her own, and the mother's sacred kiss seals a vow that John B. Finch fulfilled with his last heart beat two months ago."

The national committee, as arranged, was as follows:

Alabama, L. C. Calison; Colorado, H. C. Dillon; Connecticut, George P. Rogers; Dakota, D. R. Grove; District of Columbia, A. A. Wheelock; Illinois, A. J. Julkins, J. A. Van Fleet; Indiana, John Ratcliffe, J. S. Heughs; Iowa, E. W. Brady, V. G. Farnam; Kansas, A. M. Richardson, John P. St. John; Maryland, John Lloyd, Thomas William Silverwood; Massachusetts, R. C. Pittman, C. B. Knight; Michigan, D. P. Sangerdorph, A. D. Power; Minnesota, W. W. Satterlee, James Princham; Missouri, James D. Baker, F. M. Bemis; Nebraska, A. G. Wolfenbarger, R. A. Hawley; New Jersey, John R. Anderson, A. Parsons; New York, C. H. Meade, J. Wesley Jones; North Carolina, Rev. W. F. Walkins, Moses Hammond; Ohio, M. McClellan Brown, J. Odell; Oregon, J. H. Armas, J. W. Webb; Pennsylvania, James Black, W. F. Dunn; Rhode Island, Thomas H. Peabody, H. H. Richardson; Tennessee, J. W. Smith; Texas, J. B. Crapfill; Vermont, C. W. Wyman, Clinton J. Smith; West Virginia, Frank Burt, J. R. Carsendon; members-at-large, Frances E. Willard, Mather Stewart, A. A. Hopkins.

IN MEMORY OF HER BROTHER.

Mrs. Roscoe Conkling Erects a Memorial to Ex-Governor Horatio Seymour.

UTICA, Dec. 1.—Mrs. Roscoe Conkling has just left an order with a firm here for a cross of heavy cast brass as a memorial of her brother, Governor Horatio Seymour. When finished it will be placed in the rear of the chancel of Calvary church. The cross proper will be 48 inches in height and the arms about 30 inches in width. The whole will stand upon a base of polished brass. The design is conventional. From the base of the cross a passion flower in bold relief will climb the shaft and entwine about the arms. In the centre of the cross will be a bronze plate, in which are the letters H. S. The design of the lettering is that of the fifteenth century. The workmanship will be elaborate. The base is in the form of a pyramid. The background of the cross is after the Moorish design. A scriptural text, to be selected, will be placed upon the base.

Suit Against Our Danish Minister.

BOSTON, Dec. 1.—Miss Mary A. Brown, who has been engaged for some years in the work of getting and disseminating information about the Icelandic discoverers of America, has announced that she has decided to institute proceedings for libel against Professor Rasmus B. Anderson, formerly of Madison, Wis., and now minister of the United States at Copenhagen. Miss Brown claims that she was in the west some years ago engaged in literary work, and through the influence of Professor Anderson her works were refused by the publishers and the public generally prejudiced against her.

Gold on the Potomac.

OSHKOSH, Dec. 1.—Dr. William Kempster, accompanied by Senator Sawyer, has left here for Washington. Six months ago Kempster and another man discovered gold-bearing quartz on the Potomac river in Montgomery county, eighteen miles from Washington. Shafts have been sunk, disclosing rich veins of gold in rotten quartz of high grade. Before leaving Dr. Kempster exhibited a bottle of fresh nuggets of gold from his mine. He says he has with a skillet washed out nuggets as large as cherries. Samples sent to the Philadelphia mint were pronounced high grade.

She Loved the Other Fellow.

OXFORD JUNCTION, Iowa, Dec. 1—Benjamin Cusley and Charles Logan, rival suitors for the hand of Miss Elizabeth Watterson, aged 17, meeting at her father's house, a desperate encounter ensued, the victor to have the prize. Cusley was finally successful, driving away his rival at the point of a pistol. But Logan was the favorite with the girl and yesterday afternoon she sent a bullet through her heart.

Will Give Portland the Go-By.

MONTREAL, Dec. 1.—The Grand Trunk railway and Allan line of steamships have fallen out and if the difficulty is not soon settled after the 20th of December the Allan steamships will as on former occasions, giver Portland the go-by and make Baltimore the winter terminus. The point in dispute is the proportion of freight rates each shall get.

Newspapers Raising Their Prices.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 1.—The *Daily Courier* and *Daily Standard* will announce to-morrow that on and after that date the price of those papers will be raised from two to three cents.

HOTEL SOAP AND TOWELS.

Why They Are Sources of Grave Danger to Those Who Use Them.

Despite the vast improvements in the management of American hotels, there are still many defects and drawbacks which, though they may seem of practical insignificance, are in reality of deep importance to the public. Chief among these, says a writer in the *American Analyst*, may be mentioned the toilet soap furnished the patrons in their bedrooms and baths, and the temporary guests in the washrooms. As a general rule it may be said that no American hotel uses even decent soap. The writer has had a wide experience among the great establishments of New York, and in only two has found a toilet soap that was really of superior quality. Many proprietors purchase cheap castile and poor cottonseed oil soap by the hundred bars and cut these into convenient cakes. They cleanse well and generally are free from coarse perfumes and poisonous coloring matter. But nearly all brands of this class are poorly made and strongly alkaline. They not only attack the skin and eventually produce sores, but they also irritate the mouths of the pores and eat into the glands and the oil they contain. Their use gives a clean skin, but one that is dry, rough and inelastic. Frequently, after a few days, dried white patches rise and fall off, the lips and nostrils chap and a general feeling of uneasiness and even positive discomfort results. Worse than these are the cheap and pasty toilet soaps so much in vogue. They are made from rancid vegetable oils and half decomposed acid animal fats with impure alkalies, in the shortest time and the cheapest manner possible. To cover up their foulness or poor workmanship, the manufacturer colors them with brilliant dyes or very dark dyes, and with the rankest essential oils the market affords. A cake taken from a second rate Broadway house is a good case in point. It has a neat oval form, a strong but pleasant odor, lathers freely, and is of a handsome rich brown hue. To any but an expert it would appear a superior article, while to a hotel proprietor it offers, besides all these attractive qualities, the far more facinating element of extreme cheapness. Careful examination and analysis show that the brown color conceals a slovenly workmanship, which would otherwise be exposed. In irregular masses of varying shade and consistency, and that the strong essential oils serve to smother a rank smell of putrefaction and nauseating raw materials. The amount of the oils is so large as to act as a rubefacient and even an irritant upon the skin. The writer once experimentally rubbed it on his face and allowed the thin saponaceous film to remain ten minutes before washing it off. On its disappearance he found the cuticle covered by numerous red points intermediate in appearance between acne and eczema, which lasted twenty-four hours before the face resumed its natural appearance. Such toilet soap applied to women of fine complexions but of sensitive skins would ruin their appearance in less than a fortnight, and would in the long run produce a condition of the cuticle which would require weeks of medical treatment to restore to its pristine state. Far worse would be its use upon babies and young children. Their skin is finer and more delicate than can be easily described. Irritated by such soaps it would break out into painful eruptions and in a short time thereafter into running sores.

The evils described apply chiefly to the bed-room and bath-room; those of the public wash-room are far worse. Here a large cake is employed, and almost invariably one whose workmanship is so inferior that with the slightest use it becomes pulpy or sticky. In this condition it does all the harm mentioned, and besides this it may set and frequently does act as a vehicle for disease virus and disease-germs. A person suffering from a skin complaint or from some blood disease, which manifests itself in cutaneous disorders, ulcers, or other sores, uses the cake, and by the mere friction of rubbing, loosens scales and pieces of diseased matter which are retained by the glutenous surface of the soap. These may or may not contain the virus or the germs referred to. If they do the next person who uses that cake runs a serious risk of absorbing the contagion and becoming a sufferer from the same disease. So bad are matters in this regard that the only safe rule for a person solicitious for his health is to never use the soaps supplied by hotels for patrons and guests, but to always carry his own with him or to try a fresh cake, no matter how great the temptation may be to use that which is freely offered him in places of public resort.

More objectionable yet are the unwieldly roller-towel, the saloon towel, and the long and broad towel of the wash-room. These, under any and all circumstances, are a disgrace to the house that uses them and an insult to its customers. The towel removes moisture from the face and hands by rubbing. The friction does more, however, than remove moisture alone. It forces off scales, pieces of head skin, lymph from cuts and abrasions, mucus from the nostrils, perspiration from the pores, pus from sores and ulcers, and anything liquid that may be excreted from the body or may have been thrown upon its surface. The fibrous and interlaced structure of the towel make it a marvelous receptacle and catch-all for these varied substances. They remain in its interstices until it is washed, and even long after, unless it is thoroughly boiled and rubbed with strong laundry soap or treated with Javelle water or chloride of lime. It is all very well for the first man who applies a towel of the class mentioned to his face and hands; the second man runs a risk and the risk increases arithmetically with each user. As nearly one man in fifty suffers from some contagious or germ disease, and as these hotel and saloon towels average two hundred users a day, it is clear that every one toward the end of its daily career is in all probabilities a source of danger and disease. It is better to go with a dirty face and soiled hands than to use such apologies for decency. It is a thousand times better for proprietors to supply unlimited small linen or cotton napkins, which once used are consigned to the laundry, or the inexpensive Japanese paper cloths, which once employed are thrown away into the ash barrel.

Custer at Gettysburg.

Colonel Grant relates that General Custer once met in this city a noted cavalry officer who was a good writer and talker, and who was delivering a lecture on Gettysburg after the war. Handing Custer a couple of tickets for the lecture, the cavalryman remarked: "I hope you will come, for I describe all the cavalry movements in that battle. By the way, I transfer your brigade from the right wing, where it did operate, to the left wing and mass it with my brigade; it makes the story more imposing, you know."

A LETTER FROM O'BRIEN

HE DESCRIBES HIS CRUEL TREATMENT IN JAIL.

Unionists Banquet Lord Hartington and Mr. Goschen--The Borlase Bankrupt Case--France's Political Excitement.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Mr. O'Brien, in a letter smuggled from Tullamore jail to a friend in Dublin says:

"The substance of Mr. Balfour's letter has been conveyed to me. Mr. Balfour's statement that I pleaded weak action of the heart and delicate condition of the lungs as an excuse for not being forced to wear criminal clothes is a cruel falsehood.

"I am not aware of such weakness and certainly never declared it. The medical examiners never referred to this, my only weakness being in my left lung which does not trouble me at present.

"If Mr. Balfour is acting on the belief that the state of my health renders the application of brute force dangerous, the course he has pursued could not be recommended on the score of humanity.

"For six days after committal I was subjected to constant threats of force and put on bread and water diet. When this proved fruitless I was led to believe that the point would not be insisted on. Thereupon my clothes were stolen.

"Since securing new clothes I have been unable to change them night or day for fear of their being stolen. No official information has yet been given to relieve me of this continued strain. This letter is the only means of vindicating myself against Mr. Balfour's foul and dishonoring imputations.

"Henceforth I shall not speak concerning my health. I do not take any nourishing food. In the face of intolerable calumnies I leave it to honorable men to judge the chivalry of Balfour's false and heartless insinuations."

UNIONISTS IN DUBLIN.

Banquet to the English Speakers--Mr. Dillon Speaks in London.

DUBLIN, Dec. 1.—The unionist banquet in Leinster hall, last evening was a brilliant affair. The leading merchants and professional men and a number of Catholic unionists were present. The balconies were crowded with ladies. Lord Hartington and Mr. Goschen had an ovation. The toast to the Queen was received with enthusiasm, everybody rising and joining in the singing of the national anthem and "God Bless the Prince of Wales." Mr. Kenny, an eminent Catholic barrister, in proposing a toast to the unionist cause, denounced home rule as an insiduous misnomer, simply meaning the dismemberment of the empire and the utter ruin of Ireland.

Mr. Goschen said that the time for anybody being neutral toward the separatists had passed. No truce should be allowed with the party of sedition.

A news vender at Killarney has been sentenced to a month's imprisonment for selling copies of *United Ireland* containing reports of meetings of suppressed branches of the National league.

Mr. Sheehy, member of parliament, for whose arrest a warrant has been issued, and who has been evading arrest, has arrived at Limerick.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Mr. Dillon, speaking at Plymouth last night, sharply criticised the unionist meeting in Dublin. He said that Mr. Goschen had promised the impoverished poor law unions in the west of Ireland further assistance from the exchequor if they would maintain the union. But they would not consent to sell their birthright for a mess of pottage. They would rather starve. The government sought to crush 4,000,000 in order to support the 900,000 who called themselves the garrison in Ireland.

THE WOMAN RUINED HIM.

An Ex-Commoner Arraigned in the London Bankruptcy Court.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Mr. Wm. C. Borlase, ex-member of parliament for St. Austell, and formerly under-secretary for the local government board, was arraigned in the London bankruptcy court yesterday, and the revelations in the case thus far developed are interesting.

It appears that Mr. Borlase became ruinously involved through his association with a woman calling herself Mme. Quirns. She asserts that Borlase gave her sums of money and valuable articles from time to time because of his love for her, while the ex-commoner declares that the woman took advantage of his relations with her to blackmail him.

The case is likely to last several days and will no doubt furnish some very interesting reading.

France's Political Excitement.

PARIS, Dec. 1.—It is said that special sealed instructions have been given to military commanders to be opened in the event of serious disturbances breaking out during the present political excitement. The government will apparently act energetically. President Grevy, in his message to parliament, will give as his reason for resigning the refusal of all the leading statesmen to form a cabinet. He makes no complaint against the chamber or senate, or against his ministers, but laments what he terms the unexpected desertion of those upon whose friendship he thought he could rely.

The Crown Prince.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—Dr. Telschow, the court dentist, has been summoned to San Remo to operate on the Crown Prince's teeth. A favorable conclusion is drawn from this circumstance, as the operation would have been postponed, it is thought, had the prince's condition not been improved. The Crown Prince and Princess went walking at San Remo yesterday, and proceeded until rain began to fall and compelled them to return to their villa.

A Blood Tax on the Masses.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—During the debate on the budget in the reichstag yesterday Herr Bebel described the corn bill as a blood tax on the large masses of workmen, who will have to pay it almost exclusively. Herr Bebel was subsequently called to order for proclaiming as hypocritical the constant appeal made to Germany's love of piece.

A Raid on Nihilists' Lodging.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 1.—The police yesterday raided a lodging house in the Peski quarter occupied by students, who were supposed to be nihilists. A desperate resistance was made by the inmates of the house and many persons were wounded.

Victoria Going to San Remo.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—It is reported that the British consul at Genoa has received instructions to rent a villa at San Remo for Queen Victoria from the month of January.

Bulgaria Has Faith in Peace.

SOFIA, Dec. 1.—The Sobranje yesterday voted by a large majority to abolish the committees on national defense.

FOR KILLING HIS FATHER.

The Terrible Charge Against a 17-year-Old Boy.

GREENFIELD, Mass., Dec. 1.—Lincoln Randall, a 17-year-old boy, is under arrest and locked up here last night charged with the murder of his father, David M. Randall, a respected farmer of Montague. The murder was a most cold-blooded and brutal affair. Randall was sitting in his dining-room last evening, when someone approached from the outside, came to one of the windows, placed the muzzle of his gun almost against the glass, and fired. The back of Randall's head was literally blown off, and he died a few minutes after the fatal shot was fired.

There are no trees or shrubbery to obstruct the view from the road. It was nearly 6 o'clock and the hanging lamp had been lighted. Randall was seated almost underneath it in an armchair, facing the stove, with his back to the windows and not more than three feet from them. His cane was in his hand. His wife was in the kitchen preparing supper, and in the room with him were Mrs. Randall's mother and sister.

Shortly after noon yesterday young Randall was arrested. He took his arrest very cooly, simply saying that he did not commit the deed. There seems to be no doubt that the gun from which the fatal shot was fired was an old smooth-bore Springfield rifle, which a young son of Mr. Randall had loaded heavily with BB shot on Thansgiving morning, the rifle afterward being placed in the woodshed, from which it was stolen the next day. BB shot was found imbedded in the walls of the room where the murder took place, and later the gun itself was found hidden under the bushes by the roadside, a short distance from the house.

Western Union Reduced Rates.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The Western Union telegraph company has just announced a reduction in long-distance telegraph rates. The reduction embraces all places east of Montana and Utah. The highest rates on the company's line between points, some of which are 4,000 to 5,000 miles apart, will be $1. The Montana, Utah, New Mexico and Texas rate has been reduced from $1 to 75 cents. The rate from the section east of the Mississippi river and north of Tennessee and North Carolina is reduced from 75 cents to 50 cents, and the rate from the section east of the Mississippi river and south of Virginia and Tennessee, from 60 cents to 50 cents.

Ambitious Colored People.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 1.—The prominent recognition given the negroes during the prohibition campaign has inspired their leaders to essay roles of more distinction in local politics. They hearkened to the orators of the respective sides, who took occasion to impress them with the importance of their position, and before the question has been officially settled several negroes have announced themselves as candidates for the city council. The negroes will vote solidly for the candidates of their color, and it would not be surprising to see some, at least, elected to the city council, which is composed of but six members.

Ives Again After the C., H. and D.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 1.—An evening paper asserts that it has responsible authority for the statement that movements are in progress which in two weeks will result in placing Henry S. Ives & Co. in control of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad. H. B. Moorehead and Albert Netter, brokers, are actively buying Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton stock. It is said also that the Emerys, who own the Dayton and Michigan property, leased by the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton, are anxious to get their road into their own hands, and are aiding Ives.

Judge Trunkey Surgically Treated.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 1.—A letter received from Mrs. Trunkey, says that the proposed operation mentioned a few days ago has been successfully performed on Judge Trunkey, of the Pennsylvania supreme bench, by London physicians, for the cure of catarrh. The operation, while very painful, gave Mr. Trunkey immediate relief, and he rapidly recovered from its effects and is now enjoying better health than at any time since leaving New York. The judge is confident of a complete cure, and with Mrs. Trunkey will remain some time in Europe.

Proceedings in Foreclosure

HARTFORD, Dec. 1.—In the proceedings for foreclosure brought by the New York and New England Railroad company against the Connecticut Central road, Louis Sperry, counsel for the minority interests of the latter road, has withdrawn the defence, and nothing now remains to prevent the consummation of the foreclosure proceedings, which had previously been interrupted by the order of the supreme court that the New York and New England should render an account in detail of the Connecticut Central's receipts and expenses.

Western Union's New Rival.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 1.—A petition has been filed with the secretary of state, for presentation to the legislature, signed by Chester Snow and others, for the incorporation of the Postal Automatic telegraph company, with the object of building a line across the continent from New York to San Francisco. The company is to be incorporated with a capital of $3,000,000 and authority to increase the same to $20,000,000.

Arensdorf Contradicts Himself.

SIOUX CITY, Dec. 1.—The defense in the Haddock murder case closed its evidence yesterday. Granda, one of the defendants, made many admissions that were very damaging to the defense. John Ahrensdorf, who is now on trial, took the stand and tried to account for his whereabouts on the night of the murder. His attempted alibi now is a contradiction of his attempted alibi on the first trial.

Philadelphia May be Selected.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 1.—In conversation with Mr. B. T. Jones, chairman of the national republican committee, that gentleman intimated that the convention might be held in Philadelphia, though it was too early to say positively.

Will Avert a Strike.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 1.—It is believed that the existing differences between the brewers' union and the brewers' association will be settled without a strike on the part of the first named organization.

Shot and Killed Two Colored Men.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 1.—A farmer named Irby, Tuesday, shot and killed two colored men who attacked him on his farm in Marlboro county, S. C., while he was endeavoring to drive them of his lands.

Shekel Must Pay Out Shekels.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Shekel, the proprietor of the stock quotation gambling clock, was fined $500 yesterday and a rehearing of the case was denied.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, 11.42, a.m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, 11.42, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 7.14, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9 29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, 11.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

7.14, a. m.—For Flemington.

8.05, a. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, 11.42 a.m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m. For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m, 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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THE STANDARD'S BIG SCHEME.

A Pipe Line Proposed from Chicago to New York.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 1.—A gigantic scheme of the Standard Oil company, involving millions of dollars, has just been unearthed here. It is for a great trunk pipe line from Chicago to New York by way of the Ohio and Pennsylvania oil fields. The pipe line when completed will be nearly 1,000 miles long, and will cost at least $5,000,000. It will connect the Ohio and the Pennsylvania fields, and oil can be piped eastward or westward, as desired.

The Standard company has already begun to lease the right of way through Ohio and Indiana. Thousands of acres of the best oil lands have been secured, and the intention is to develop and test all the country between Chicago and Lima, Ohio. The step was made necessary by the high railroad rates consequent upon the carrying into effect of the interstate commerce law, and the intention of the Standard company is to utilize the oil pipes to Chicago for fuel as well as illuminating purposes.

They Are Good Indians Now.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 1.—At Antler's on the 'Frisco road, in the Choctaw nation, yesterday, Victor M. Locke, a big stockman and merchant, was startled from his breakfast by the entrance into his house of Jack Watts, a Choctaw, and an unknown Indian, with pistols in their hands, evidently bent on murder. Mrs. Locke met the men at the door and felled one with a stick of wood. Meanwhile Mr. Locke had gotten his Winchester rifle, and before they could fire he shot both Indians, killing them almost instantly.

Art Works Missing.

PESTH, Dec. 1.—In the unterhaus yesterday Deputy Polonyi asked as to the truth of the report that valuable pictures by Raphael, Durer, Rembrandt and others were missing from the Esterhazy gallery, and that antiquities from the national museum had been replaced with worthless imitations. Herr Trefort, minister of art said he believed that the report was not true, but he promised to make an inquiry.

Vote on Prohibition in Atlanta.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 1.—The vote in the prohibition election was canvassed, and it was found that the majority against prohibition was 1,128. The sale of liquor will begin at once.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

R. T. Raley, a Philadelphia stock broker has failed.

San Francisco asks congress to pay $350,000 for a post office site.

David L. King, of Clarion county, Pa., is to be executed on January 26, 1888.

A triple railroad collision occurred between Butte and Silver, M. T., yesterday but only one man was more than "slightly injured."

Dr. L. E. Powell killed editor H. S. Smith in Redwood City, Cal., on Tuesday, and yesterday he was arrested and charged with murder.

James Brown, a restaurant keeper of Troy, N. Y., has been indicted on a charge of murder in the first degree for killing Patrick Kelly on the night of October 16.

A. W. Henderson, a drummer, who was arrested in North Carolina for selling goods without a license, has been discharged by the United States circuit court.

The Julia, of Kingston, Ont., laden with barley, was wrecked during a snow storm on Tuesday night, four miles from Oswego, N. Y. The crew was rescued with great difficulty.

Two very promising hotel schemes, one at Canonicut, the other at Easton's Point, near Newport, R. I., seem to have come to a premature death. Considerable stock had been sold in one of the so-called companies.

The St. Andrew's society of Canada gave a grand ball at the Windsor hotel, Montreal last night. It was a very brilliant affair, and the usual greetings with sister societies in other countries were exchanged.

A despatch from Harrisburg, Pa., reports that another of the victims of the Hammel stone stone quarry disaster was dug out yesterday. The bodies of three other quarrymen are known to be still in the debris.

An appeal to the supreme court in North Carolina has been granted in the case of Stephen Freeman, a negro, who was recently found guilty of committing an assault upon Mrs. Sellers, white, and was sentenced to be hanged Dec. 23.

Jack McCormick, of Rochester, N. Y., hanged himself in jail yesterday. He was a "tough" of the worst kind. He once essayed four rounds in the prize ring with John L. Sullivan, when the Boston giant with one blow sent him flying 20 feet over the ropes.

An excursion train ran into the rear end of a freight train at Fitchburg, Mass., yesterday. George Joslin, a drover, of East Buffalo, N. Y., had several ribs broken and spine injured. Wm. Dixon, fireman of the passenger engine, had to be taken to Massachusetts hospital. A good deal of property was destroyed.

Weather Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1, 6 a. m.—The weather indications for New York, New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are: Continued cold and fair weather, followed by slowly rising temperature, light to fresh easterly winds, in the interior, brisk easterly winds on the coast diminishing in force.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Money on call 6 and 7 per cent.

BONDS.

	Closing, Yesterday,	Closing, To-day.
4½s, 1891, reg	108	107¾
4½s, 1891, con	108¾	108¾
4s, 1907, reg	126¾	126¾
4s, 1907, con	126¾	126½

STOCK MARKET.

THREE O'CLOCK—The market was much stronger through the remainder of the afternoon, and advanced in most cases to opening prices, or higher, on the same conservative buying as showed itself yesterday.

CLOSING PRICES.

	Closing, Yesterday,	Closing To-day.
Canadian Pacific	54½	54⅝
Chicago, Bur. & Q	128½	129
Central Pacific	32¾	32⅞
Del. & Hud.	105¼	103¾
Del. Lack. & W.	131¼	130¾
Erie	29¾	28¾
Erie, pref.	66	—
Lake Shore	94⅝	94½
Louis. & Nash.	60¾	60¾
Michigan Central	89	89
Missouri Pacific	90	89¾
N. Y. & New Eng.	39½	39
New Jersey Cen.	75¾	76½
New York Central & Hud.	107	107¾
Northwestern	103¾	113
Oregon Navigation	90	89½
Pacific Mail	39	38¾
Reading	69	68½
Rock Island	114	114
St. Paul	75¼	75⅝
Union Pacific	56¼	56
West Union Tel.	78⅜	78⅝

Buttter—Market steady. Creamery—Eastern 25c a 30c; western 26c a 29c; Elgin, 30c a 32c; imitation 22c a 24c. Dairy—Eastern, half-firkin tubs, 24c a 30c; eastern, Welsh tubs, 27c a 28c; eastern, firkins 21c a 22c; eastern, dairies entire, 21c a 23c; western, 19c a 21c; Factory—Fresh 23c a 25c; June packed, 15c a 17c; low grades, 7c a 9c. Cheese—Market steady. Factory—New York cheddar, 11½c a 11¾c; western, flat, 11½c a 11¾c; Creamery, New York, part skims, 8c a 9½c; Pennsylvania, skims, ½c a 1¾c; state skims, 3c a 6c.

Eggs—Market firm on fresh. Fresh—Eastern, firsts, 29c; Canadian, firsts, 21c a 22c; western, firsts 24 a 26c; Limed—Eastern firsts, 17½c a 18c; western, firsts, 17c a 17½c; Canadian, firsts, 17c a 17½c; held firsts, 15c a 16c.

STREET CAR CHAT.

A Jolly-Faced Irishman's Story and a Truthful Hoosier's Yarn.

I was standing on the front platform, the other morning, of a Van Buren street car, when an old, jolly-faced son of Erin got on at Throop street, writes Ed R. Pritchard, in the *Arkansaw Traveler*.

"Good morning, Uncle Dan," said the driver, as he reached for the bell rope to signal the conductor. "How are ye, my hero," was the hearty response, "an' I s'pose ye knows that winther'll soon be here." "Yes," replied the driver, "there's hard times ahead for us poor devils." "Well," rejoined Uncle Dan, "there's one consolation yez'll have, an' that is ye was here first. Like the feller that wint into the saloon and got his drink widout payin' for it, ye're ready for business."

"How was that, Uncle Dan?"

"It was like this. A poor divil wint intil a saloon and called for a drink. The bartinder set down the bottle an' he took a good big one. Thin he sot down his glass an' lukin' the bartinder straight in the face he sez, sez he: 'Well, sor, I'm riddy.'

"'Riddy for what?' says the bartinder.

"'To be kicked out,' sez he, 'for not a red cint have I got at all.'"

Every body laughed, and a little fat German on the other side of the platform took his pipe out of his mouth long enough to say: "By gracious, dot feller vas not poddered much mit flies, you gan pet your life."

Then a tall man, who was well dressed and wore a silk hat, and had a sort of I-never-lie air about him, told this one:

"Some years ago I was keeping tavern in a small town in Indiana. One night, along in late fall, a travel-stained, moon-eyed fellow stopped at my house, saying he wanted supper, lodging and breakfast. Of course down there hotel beats were few and far between. So it never entered my head but that the tramp had plenty of money. But judge of my surprise when the next morning after breakfast he frankly told me he hadn't a cent, and to cap the climax, ended by asking me to loan him a quarter.

"I was tempted to pitch him in the street, when he said: 'Look here, boss, there's no use kickin'. You didn't s'pose, did you, I was fool enough to tell you last night I hadn't any money? Now, I'll tell you what I'll do, if you'll loan me a quarter, I'll promise to pay you what I owe you before night.'

"Well, sir, I gave him the quarter, and what do you think he did with it? He went to the drug store and invested it in a lot of small vials, filled them up with rain water, out of a barrel back of the house, and before night I had my money as he had promised."

"What did he do with the bottles?" asked one of the smokers.

"O, he canvassed the town as an eye doctor, and I guess sold most of his stuff at twenty-five cents a bottle. At any rate he had money left after he paid me."

Here the driver twisted the brake up hurriedly to keep the car from crashing into a team ahead, and the loud clang of the bridge bell gave warning that every mother's son of us must run for it, or else be ten minutes late at the office. So in a twinkling, the platform was deserted, while a string of mad passengers was hoofing it in a free and easy go-as-you-please race for the South Side.

GOING ON THE ROAD.

Grandfather Lickshin le Outlines a Lecture on the Cockroach.

"I have been invited to deliver a lecture before the Yale faculty on the cockroach," said Grandfather Lickshingle to an Oil City *Derrick* man, "and if you promise not to print them I don't mind giving you a few points of it. In the first place, I will trace the pedigree of the cockroach back to the ark and throw the whole responsibility upon Noah. I would rather avoid this, for the reason that Noah stands pretty well with the people now on earth, and to deliberately build up a prejudice against him is not a pleasant thing to do. Still, I think Noah did wrong in not stepping on Sir and Madam Cockroach when they marched arm in arm, so to say, over the gang-plank. In fixing this responsibility I will hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may; but at the same time I will temper justice with mercy, and let Noah down as easy as possible. I do not believe in taking advantage of a man, because he made one rash step; or, as in this case, because he did *not* make one rash step, and, as I intimated before, locate it right on top of these roaches. Some people have a great deal to say against Eve. I do not know of any young person of my acquaintance who has been the subject of more scandal and gossip. I have heard well-meaning people blame her for all woe and heartache, not to mention dry weather and short crops. I will show in my lecture that Eve is a greatly-abused person, and that the cockroach is the real seat of sorrow. The cockroach, especially the dark sorrel cockroach, is the seventh son of the seventh son of the Mr. and Mrs. Sad-eyed Sorrow, of Sorrowtown, N. J. I have been a guest of these people myself, and I know whereof I affirm: Passing rapidly along the lives and times of the cockroach I will treat of:

1. The cockroach in society.
2. The cockroach in politics.
3. The cockroach in the cupboard, and
4. The cockroach in the biscuit.

I will endeavor to extract some humor out of the cockroach in the biscuit, by simply reporting the pleasantries that pass between the boarder and the landlady when the biscuit is opened. It is my purpose to divide cockroaches into two classes. 1. The cockroach of the fireside, or the domestic cockroach. 2. The cockroach of commerce, or the office cockroach. I have already declined large sums of money to make favorable mention in my lecture of certain brands of roach exterminators, but I can't conscientiously do it. Away down in my heart of hearts I know there is no way to kill the cockroach of modern times except to place dynamite under him and explode it with a sledge."

Curious Inheritance Declined.

A wealthy Frenchman named Bellardin, who died lately, bequeathed his whole fortune, amounting to several million francs, to the German Crown Prince. This he did to accentuate the violent hatred of his own countrymen, which somehow or other had taken full possession of his breast. But the Crown Prince refused to profit by such a motive, and, therefore, declined the Frenchman's legacy. Among the other reasons which had brought M. Bellardin to loathe his compatriots was the fact that he had been imprisoned for some act of personal violence, and it was when lying in jail that he changed his will in favor of the heir to the German Crown. The intentions of the testator were communicated through the French Ambassador and the Foreign Office to the princely legatee, who, however, has waived his right to this curious inheritance.

RULING AND MANAGING.

How Husbands and Wives Can Build Up an Ideal Household.

There are two statements very frequently used concerning the married life which must always be particularly offensive to those who desire the good of the family as an institution of beneficence, and through that the good of the race. One of these statements, says *Harper's Bazar*, implies that it is given to the husband to rule; the other implies that without seeming to have her own way, the wife quietly manages the husband and has it.

Both of these phrases are as absurd and injudicious as they are harmful. In the ideal household—and every household should at least strive for the ideal, however unhappily it falls short of the standard before it—there is no such word as rule. Marriage is not a bondage. It is a contract, a partnership, an association, a union; and without speaking of it in relation to the decrees of any church, to all those who enter it reverently it is a sacrament. The idea either of reign or of submission in such case is impossible. The partners are equal, and each has a separate course to pursue toward one end. Because the husband earns or possesses the means necessary for the family's subsistence, he does not therefore inherently have any more right than the wife has to be the absolute owner and ruler of the house. When, with the solemnity of an oath, and with the supposition that it was an oath, he said: "With all my worldly goods I thee endow," it could only have meant that from that moment the wordly goods alluded to were as much hers as his. Being as much hers as his, morally at least, she has exactly the same rights in their disposition for the common good as he has, and exactly as much authority is vested in her by reason of ownership as in him, and he can claim no right at all to govern because he earns or owns the money. Moreover, the wife is supposed to be doing, and should be doing, exactly as much in her own paths of duty for the benefit of the household of which her husband makes one as the husband does; her services are worth—if a money value could be put on them—as much as his, and so the matter is equal between them.

The only legitimate way for the husband to rule, if he cherishes the ignoble wish to rule, is to show his superiority to such degree and extent that the wife must needs admiringly see and confess that his opinion, his wish, his determination, is the best, and gladly advocate it with him, and follow its direction. But to say that the wife must give up her own cherished opinions and life-long pre-conceptions and plan of action is to say that she must be reduced to the condition of a slave, entirely unfit to be the mother of children or the guardian of their morals, manners and health—the guardian that it is everywhere understood she has to be; it is to reduce her to a subordinate condition, the result of which is as injurious to her husband and to his children as it is to herself.

The husband who chooses to make the effort will find that when he accords to his wife full acknowledgment of her individuality, and accustoms her through all the routine of married life to the same gracious courtesy he used to practice at an early day, he will have a fearless companion by his side, a woman of reflection and judgment, who, having a sense of responsibility and accountability to herself, always the sternest of judges, is an actual helpmeet, a possible champion, a charming friend, a reasonable assistant, a woman with some other entertainment in her than the reflection of his own accustomed thoughts, with some novelty and interest; and so he will find his marriage a far finer thing than if he had always a sweet and tiresome little slave at command. He will find his own position, too, a something loftier one, for he will be the protector and shield and support of one of a nobler order than weaklings, and he gains even in his own esteem by the assumption of that loftier character.

But, again, as detestable as tyranny is cunning; and it is the invariable and necessary accompaniment of tyranny. People, be they men or women, wives or children, or servants—nay, even husbands—if they can not have their own way by fair means, will have it by foul; and unless they are persuaded that what they wish is positively not desirable, they will continue to endeavor to obtain that wish if it be a possible thing, and by sly traverses and cunning methods. It is only in this way that a wife ever tries to "manage" her husband. And it is in this way that she makes herself as wily as the serpent in Eden, and develops qualities of deceit and craft that can not help being transmitted to her children. The mother who desires to lower the human standard, who wants her children to be in the way of themselves becoming the parents of thieves and criminals will only have to resort to managing her husband in order to sow the first seeds of that sort of crop.

There is something too base and servile in the idea of "managing," of obtaining a desire by the hidden and circuitous routes of cunning, for a woman who aspires to any worthiness of character to be willing to confess to it even in her own consciousness. Open revolt were better in the long-run for her, for her family, for her race. The trick is on a par with lying, with stealing, with forging, and with all the low, small, slimy vices; it is degrading, not only to the woman who engages in the "management," but to the children, servants and dependents who can not fail to see it done.

The only noble and honorable course for husband and wife, then, is co-operation, with frank admission of the individual rights of each, with the same course that would be followed in independent friendship, with repeated assurance of love and trust and undimished affection—assurance that every true wife wishes and longs for when she is seventy as much as when she is thirty, that ought not to pall upon any husband. The wife may be guided, but she is not to be governed, and when she is consulted, trusted, treated as an integer, and as a person to the full as honorable and powerful as her husband is, the home will be something very different from the harem, and very much nearer the outskirts of Heaven than any place full of submissive houris could ever pretend to be. Let there be no ruling and no managing, and there will come presently the ideal household, a place full of joyous endeavor, of fortitude in suffering, of glad fruition and content the life long.

Ghastly Triumphal Arch.

A visitor at the Ameer's workshops in Afghanistan saw a curious piece of architecture there—a ghastly triumphal arch made by the artisans of the place from the heads of two hundred prisoners taken in the rebellion. While riding through the bazaar he came across the head of Taimur Shah mounted on a pole.

HEBREW BUTCHERS.

Mosaic Rules Faithfully Observed by the Jews of To-Day.

The Hebrew butcher, or shochat, takes the chicken, duck or goose and places it beneath his knees, pinioning its wings in this way; then he bends the head back until the windpipe shows. Next, with one quick stroke, he half severs the neck, says a St. Louis *Globe* writer. He dare not cut the head off completely, for then the meat would be trefe. The bird is hung up by the legs, and all the blood let run out of it. Here the shochat's duty ends. The purchaser carries the fowl home and opens it. If he finds in it a pin, a nail, a piece of wood, or any thing which might in time have caused the death of the fowl, it is trefe, unfit to eat, declared to have been sick. Similarly, if there is any sore on the lungs, the fowl is trefe, and must be thrown away When there is any doubt, it must be carried to the rabbi, who sometimes may decide that it is kosher, but in any case his decision is final.

In killing a beef, calf, sheep, lamb, goat or kid a little more ceremony is observed. When the killing is at a distance two shochatim go together. Just as one draws his knife and prepares to kill, the other seizes his arm and asks him is the knife right. If he answers "Yes," the work proceeds. The animal is laid on its side. The shochat, with a smaller knife sharp as a razor, shaves the hair from the throat. Then, with his regular knife, he cuts the throat, not with one sharp sweep, as is done with the fowl, but he may saw back and forth five or six times without stopping. If he makes a pause between two of the movements the meat becomes trefe. He must sever every blood-vessel—"pipes," the ordinary Hebrew calls them. Then the animal's blood is let trickle out, and it is hung up. The shochat remains, and another man, under his direction, cuts it open and examines the intestines, lungs and liver. If there is the slightest blemish in them the shochat marks the meat trefe by cutting three or four crosses on it with his knife.

If it is kosher, he stamps that word on it, and the date on which it is killed beside. The date is added because the meat may be eaten only two days after the killing, "that day, the next day and the day after," explains an intelligent Hebrew. Only the forequarters are allowed to be used for food, as few men can draw the veins and sinews out properly. When the layman has bought his beef, mutton or other meat, he carries it home, soaks it in water, and then lays it on a board with holes through which any remaining blood may drop. Next salt is put on each of the six sides, for, as may be seen, there are six sides to any piece of meat, and it is soaked for an hour, after which it is cleaned and cooked.

Much has been said about the knife which the shochat uses. It is a straight, ordinary-looking instrument, one foot six inches in length and three inches in width, made of the best steel, and costing from fifteen dollars to twenty dollars. Not only is it tried before using, but also after. A shochat may kill a dozen or one hundred chickens or other fowl in quick and immediate succession. If, when this task is completed, he finds a nick in the knife, only the last fowl killed is trefe; all the rest are kosher. A cow and her calf, a ewe and her lamb, a she-goat and her kid may not be killed on the same day, nor may a calf be killed before it is eight days old.

HIS HEART EXPOSED.

The Strange Case of a Patient in the San Francisco Hospital.

There is a singular case in the City and County Hospital, says the *Alta California*, which rivals in its strangeness that of the celebrated Alexander St. Martin, who, it will be remembered, had a hole torn in his side by the discharge from a gun, through which the interior of the stomach could be plainly seen and the processes of digestion watched. By this means the digestibility of different foods were determined, and for many years St. Martin has been the *cause celebre* of medical science. The case before referred to, that of Edgar Jackson, also a Canadian, rivals St. Martin's. He is a native of New Brunswick, twenty-eight years old, and up to a year ago was working in the shingle-mills of Humboldt County, in this State.

Twelve months ago he was seized with an attack of pleurisy, which was treated with indifferent success in the country, and when he came into the county hospital here his lungs were suffused with water and pus. By means of a hollow needle and a pump attached, technically known as an aspirator, his chest was tapped twenty-five times and in all eight gallons of water drawn off.

Still the effusion continued, and as pus was forming, the attending physician saw the necessity for prompt action and determined to make a free opening into the side. An incision was made into the left side over six inches in length, severing the third, fourth, and fifth ribs, portions of each rib being taken off, so that the opening would not close. Through this the water and pus made their escape freely, and the patient's life was saved for the time.

It was found that the pressure of the water on the left lung had forced that organ into the upper part of the thoracic cavity, and it had solidified, leaving the heart and its surrounding membrane, the pericardium, exposed to view. At present the patient is getting on nicely, and if no accident occurs, will make a complete recovery, although he will have lost the use of his left lung. A reporter saw the wound dressed recently. Into the gaping hole in the side was pumped about a quart of soap and water, which bubbled and foamed under the pressure from the contraction and expansion of the right lung. Turning on his side, the water escaped from the patient, and there, in full sight, was the heart, every pulsation plainly perceptible, the systole and disastole, the contraction and expansion of the human engine, which has forever puzzled philosophers, and which will continue to do so, in full view. It is safe to say that never before have the inner workings of the human frame been so exposed to view with so little apparent inconvenience to the subject. He says he suffers no pain, and looks forward to a good recovery.

Sauerkraut an Explosive.

It may not be generally known that sauerkraut is a dangerous explosive. A Philadelphia kraut maker, who was cutting up five thousand cabbages a day and probably knows what he is talking about, says: "If a tank of kraut is sealed when fresh, there is sure to be trouble. A cask of gunpowder is hardly more dangerous than a tightly-corked barrel of sauerkraut. As the stuff ferments it swells, and if vent is not furnished there is an explosion that shakes the foundation of the store and frightens the life half out of the storekeeper, while the neighbors raise a cry of a dynamite plot. Seriously, sauerkraut is a dangerous article to handle. If I were a fiery Anarchist I would be inclined to adopt it as an instrument of destruction."

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BY THE WAY.

—Pyromaniac Jackson and the two VanNests sentenced to State Prison, have not left the County Jail yet, but will probably start for Trenton on Monday.

—The Directors of the Plainfield Building Loan Association held a meeting on Monday evening, but transacted no business of importance outside of collecting in some money.

—"Detective" Murphy is spoken of, by some, as a candidate for the office of Chief of Police, since Chief Dodd has been appointed Warden at Elizabeth. He might "get there"—but he won't.

—The Y. M. C. A. "Seniors" at their rooms to-night (Friday) will be interested and instructed in Bible truths by Rev. J. L. Hurlbut, D. D. Dr. H. will in the use of the blackboard make the talk especially interesting to the Youth of the society.

—A business meeting of the teachers of the Warren Mission Industrial School will be held Saturday, Dec. 3d, at the close of the regular session of the school. As there are matters of importance to come before them, it is hoped that every teacher will be present.

—"Doc" Vincent went before the City Judge yesterday and lodged a complaint against Michael Sweeney, charging him with causing a disturbance in his restaurant on North avenue. The accused furnished $100 bail for his appearance in Court at ten a. m. to-morrow.

—John Rickert, son of Peter Rickert, of North Plainfield, who recently embarked in the soap advertising business, passed through this city at midnight an evening or two since, en route from New York to Philadelphia. He was met at the depot by some of his friends, and saluted as he passed by.

—The case of Weaver Bros., vs. Schoonmaker, to recover value of note, tried before Justice V. W. Nash Nov. 21, 1887, was decided Nov. 28, 1887, in favor of Weaver Bros., Justice Nash giving judgment for $148 and costs. The defendant has taken an appeal. Ex-Judge Suydam appeared for the plaintiffs and W. K. McClure for the defendant.

—Three of the cast of "Jim the Penman" at Music Hall tonight, have been seen here, and not unsuccessfully, in stellar roles. Reference is made to Ada Dyas, who will be remembered in connection with "*Young Mrs. Winthrop*," W. J. Ferguson, who was Pittacus Green, in "Hazel Kirke," and Charles Overton, who played "Wages of Sin," with Mowbrey.

"Jim, the Penman."

"Jim, the Penman," is a melodrama in the best sense of the word. It is not melodramatic after the style which has grown so familiar with theatre-goers. Its effects are quiet and unsensational ones, its contrasts are strong, but not barbarous. "Jim, the Penman," is well acted by Mr. Palmer's company. The whole range of melodramatic machinery never furnished anything so telling as Ada Dyas' by-play in reading her husband's forged letter in the third act. Indeed, Miss Dyas, is strong throughout the play. The minor parts are well taken, and the appointments are all quiet and in excellent taste. "Jim, the Penman," is an excellent play.

Always Accurate and Ahead.

We stated in yesterday's PRESS in speaking of the cases of the accused firebugs, Theo. VanNest and Eph Carmon, "The cases will not be moved to trial to-morrow." Our telegraph despatch from Elizabeth in another column, proves us right again and a day ahead with the news. Such activity and accuracy in presenting all matters and facts to the public, have gained us the title of "The Only Newspaper Published in Plainfield." Our faithful carriers will leave it at your house every evening, if you will send us your address. The cost is only ten cents a week to all.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

NO MORE FIREBUG TRIALS.

THE COURT CLOSES WITHOUT TRYING THE OTHERS INDICTED.

Gen'l Fay Demands the Release of Eph. Carmon—The State Objects—And the Court Names a Light Bail.

ELIZABETH, Dec. 2—In spite of ex-Prosecutor Fay's urgent demand this morning for the trial of the charge against Eph Carmon, or the accused's release on his own recognizance, Judge McCormick held him to bail in $300 for appearance at the next term of Court. The case against the Hon. Miles Ross for election "expenses" when he was last defeated, was called but settled outside by Mr. Ross' check to the plaintiff, and the Court then discharged the petit jurors for the term, with its thanks.

In cleaning up the docket the Prosecutor stated that the only unsettled matter was the indictment of Carmon for the firing of the VanDeventer barn on Second street, Plainfield, on the evening of Nov. 21, 1885. Mr. Wilson said that the State was not ready to try the case this term, and that it was utterly impossible to go on with it. Gen'l Fay, counsel for the accused, then stated he had a request to make. He read the indictment and spoke of how long the defendant had already been imprisoned awaiting trial. "I found this man," he continued, "had been incarcerated without a hearing, and was lying in jail without counsel. From representations made to me of the state of the case, I volunteered to appear here in his behalf. At that time of the fire the accused was in Bound Brook, twelve miles away. At the time it was publicly believed and so published, that the fire resulted from the overturning of a lantern by some boys in the barn. I have interviewed a number of witnesses—of whom I have a number here—that can testify Carmon was in Bound Brook at the time. Mr. King is here, by whom the accused was employed and engaged in carting during the afternoon of the fire. There are also a number of ladies who can testify that he was helping them arrange for a fair at Bound Brook that evening. In view of all these circumstances I ask that he be either tried or discharged on his own recognizance. He has already been imprisoned for two months and it would be unfair to keep him so for two months more when he stands ready for a trial which the State declines. I will admit the burning of the barn so there need be no delay to prove that, and the other witnesses for the prosecution, McCue, Lynch and Murphy, are all officers of Plainfield and can be brought here very readily."

The Prosecutor in reply very forcibly insisted on the State's rights, and protested against any assertion that the Prosecution had not been ready to go on with it. "The case was postponed once," he said, "because Judge Suydam had gone West. Set down for another date and then postponed because no counsel for the defence was present. A third time when it was to be tried it was put off because of the death of Mr. Fay's father. If the State had not been so often ready, my mouth would be closed. However, I am perfectly willing the accused should be released on a light bail."

Mr. Fay wanted the amount fixed at $100, but the Court said if the accused could raise $100 he could raise $300, and so made it. Judge McCormick said he would issue an order to the Sheriff to accept the bail at anytime.

Reform Club Election.

The annual meeting for the election of officers to serve the Reform Club for the ensuing year was held in Reform Hall last evening. The attendance was large and the meeting was very harmonious. President French occupied his accustomed seat on the platform, and the music for the occasion was furnished by the choir. It was expected that Mr. French would decline a re-election as he had publicly announced his intention to so do, but he was prevailed upon to again accept the Presidency of the club, which he consented to do. After the usual opening exercises, including a prayer by Mr. Wm. H. Sampson, the following officers were elected:

President—John H. French.
1st Vice President—Nathan Harper.
2d Vice President—Wm. B. Ostrom.
3d Vice President—W. N. Rowe.
Chaplain—Rev. W. E. Honeyman.
Treasurer—Ethan Lanphear.
Recording Secretary—George W. F. Randolph.
Financial Secretary—J. W. A. Bauersachs.
1st Marshal—Wm. C. Smith.
2d Marshal—Wm. Hand.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Mark Lees.

—The regular monthly meeting of the North Plainfield Council will be held this evening.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Miss Lulu Tyler of New York city is visiting among her friends in Plainfield.

We notice that ex-Councilman S. C. Ryder is making decided improvements to his dwelling, corner of Central avenue and Third street. Nothing like it.

Mrs. F. O. Herring of Ninth street, opposite First place, gave a luncheon party yesterday afternoon, to which her friends were invited. Mrs. Herring gives a dinner tonight.

Mr. George Wotherspoon, musical critic of the *Graphic*, is named as one of the contributors to the Christmas number of *The Mirror*. Mr. Wotherspoon formerly resided on East Front street, this city.

At No. 44 East Second street, last evening, Rev. Mr. Schenck, pastor of Trinity Reformed Church, united in marriage Mr. Charles W. Stansbury and Miss Ella W. Schofield, both of Philadelphia.

Mr. Stephen Blazier, of Rockview ave., North Plainfield, is probably one of the happiest men in Somerset county. On Thursday his wife presented him with a Christmas present in the shape of two bouncing baby boys.

Mr. A. I. Smalley, of the well-known firm of Smalley Bros., butchers, of North Plainfield, is lying in a critical condition at his home on Somerset street. Early yesterday morning he attempted to get out of bed when he fell to the floor in a fit resulting in a hemorrhage. He was placed on the bed, and blood flowed profusely from his nose and mouth. Drs. Fritts and Carman labored together to check the flow of blood, but not until last evening were they successful. Today the patient is reported as slightly improved.

Mr. S. Merritt Potter connected the wires, switches and lamps for the electric lights in the handsome booth used at the annual parlor sale of the ladies of Holy Cross church. The lights were suspended from the centre and ribs of a large pink Chinese umbrella, and also distributed among the pink draping on the pillars of the booth, making a beautiful display, very much to the credit of young Mr. Potter with whom the lighting of the booth by electricity originated. The Plainfield Electric Light Co. furnished the power.

Miss A. G. Sinclaire of New York city, but now a resident of Plainfield, whose ability as a teacher of elocution is well known, has accepted a position in the Rodman Seminary, in addition to her private pupils. Her method is that of the Edinburgh University which is said to stand at the head of educational institutions in the World. Miss Sinclaire also bears a high reputation as an instructor of vocal music which she teaches upon the well-known standard system of the late Signor Bossini, whose pupil she was for several years. Miss Sinclaire's rapidly increasing list of pupils bears testimony to the superiority of her instruction.

Mrs. Worthington and Mrs. Talmadge of Ninth street and First Place, gave a reception last evening, that was attended by the *elite* of this and adjacent cities. Many of the ladies were richly and elaborately attired in full dress, and the gentlemen appeared in evening costume. The interior of the house was a grand spectacle. Variegated rays of soft light shown down from chandeliers on a profusion of choice flowers, growing plants and vines, the same presenting a spectacle most pleasing to the eye. From an improvised platform on the balcony sweet strains of music floated gently through open windows to the rooms within, where the ladies entertained their guests. A magnificent supper was served by Jager of Madison avenue, New York.

Renewed Success.

The reappearance of Miss Jessie Couthoui at the M. E. Church, last evening, was a thorough success. She was given a most sincere and enthusiastic reception, and an encore was even insisted upon after her last selection. She was very charmingly dressed, and all her efforts were received with great applause in evidence of thorough appreciation. The "G Cliff Quartette" of young ladies that assisted, was good in some respects. The second alto had a deep true voice, but an unpleasant effect resulted from placing her between the second soprano and first alto. The first soprano was generally good. Some of the vocal selections were too pretentious—particularly so the ballads of "Robin Adair and "Annie Laurie," harmonized so closely by Dudley Buck.

Miss Couthoui was recalled after every number. The "medley" she rendered began with "An order for a picture," and included selections from "Blow, bugle blow," "Bridge of sighs," "The Raven," "Caudle lecture," "Darius Green," etc., ending with "Do you think I'd make a soger?" sung by Miss Couthoui. Her personal success was again a most emphatic one.

—The ladies who took part in the entertainment at the M. E. church, last evening, were guests at Miller's Hotel. This evening the "Jim the Penman" company have engaged accommodations at the same popular house.

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES.

The First and Second Wards Elect Delegates to the City Convention and Nominate Ward Officers.

The Democratic voters of the First and Second wards in this city held their primaries in the Democratic Association rooms on West Front street last evening. The attendance at the First ward primary was fair and at the Second ward meeting the attendance was large.

FIRST WARD.

The meeting in this ward was called for half-past seven o'clock. Judge L. F. Wadsworth called the meeting to order, and he was subsequently chosen Chairman. Rowland B. Smith was elected Secretary, and Edward P. Thorn, Judge. After the election officers were sworn, the Chairman read the call, which was for the purpose of placing in nomination one Councilman from each ward and other ward officers, and also to elect delegates to the City Democratic Convention which meets to-morrow evening. The Chairman announced as the first business in order, the nomination of a councilman, and Mr. E. P. Thorn nominated Mr. G. Warren Watson. There being no other nominations, the secretary was instructed to cast the ballot, and Mr. Watson was unanimously declared the nominee of the convention. Ward officers were nominated as follows:

Constable—Thomas Callahan.
Justice of the Peace—Solomon Flaig.
Judge of Election—Edward T. Van Winkle.
Inspector of Election—Louis F. Wadsworth.
Clerk of Election—Chas. B. Van Winkle.

Messrs. Tell A. Beguelin, E. T. Van Winkle and W. L. Hetfield, were appointed by the chair as a committee to fill vacancies. The delegates to the city convention are: Louis F. Wadsworth, Solomon Flaig, John Rafferty, W. L. Hetfield, T. A. Beguelin, G. W. Watson. They were also empowered to fill vacancies in their delegation.

SECOND WARD.

The Second ward primary was called to order by Mr. James E. Martine, as chairman of the last convention. He was also made Chairman of the meeting, and Richard Merritt Secretary. Rowland M. Stover was sworn in as Judge, and the transaction of business proceeded with the nomination of a Councilman. Ex-Councilman Karl T. Polak nominated Mr. Wilton Randolph. The nomination was made unanimous. Ward officers were nominated in the following order:

Justice of the Peace—Geo. W. Runk.
Constable—Wm. Callahan.
Judge of Election—C. S. A. Davis.
Inspector of Election—Richard Merritt.
Clerk of Election—John Mortimer.

The chair appointed Louis M. Stover, W. K. McClure and J. G. Miller, as a committee of three, to fill vacancies. The following were elected delegates to the City Convention: Messrs. W. K. McClure, Joseph H. Tobin, J. G. Miller and R. M. Stover.

Who Will Be Chief?

The Union county Board of Freeholders yesterday resolved to take advantage of the new law that gives them the power, and they then took away the custody of the County Jail at Elizabeth from Sheriff Glasby, removed Warden Cahill, who has held the position for over five years, and appointed Chief of Police Charles W. Dodd, Republican, of this city, in his place. The salary of the new Warden, who was elected for five years, was fixed at $1,350 a year, with $300 for a matron (who will be Mrs. Dodd) and houserent, fuel and provisions thrown in.

This will deprive Plainfield of its Chief of Police, and the question now is who will be appointed. Officer Grant, who has served the city faithfully both as special and regular policeman for the past fifteen years, certainly is in the direct line of promotion and thoroughly deserves the position. He was acting-Chief at the time of the capture of the firebugs and detailed the officers who made the arrests.

It is rumored that ex-Councilman Stephen C. Ryder is also a candidate for the appointment, and is backed by many prominent citizens.

Election of Officers.

At the annual meeting of the Children's Home Association held Dec. 1st, the following general officers were unanimously elected:

President—Mrs. Horace Kimball.
Vice President—Mrs. Jas. McGee.
Treasurer—Mrs. L. W. Serrell.
Asst. Treasurer—Miss Ella Serrell.
Rec. Sec.—Mrs. Charles Place.
Cor. Sec.—Miss Lucy H. Everitt.

The standing committees will be appointed at the January meeting. Mrs. Frances Wood, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, reported that the net proceeds of the "Dickens Readings," $294, had been paid to the Treasurer.

—A preparatory service will be held in Trinity Reformed church this evening at 7:45 o'clock.

Holy Cross Church Parlor Sale.

The ladies of the Holy Cross church, North Plainfield, have been making great preparations for their annual parlor sale which took place in the school building adjoining the church, Wednesday afternoon and evening last. The ladies are well pleased with the success of the sale, the receipts being larger than on any previous occasion. All had worked with such willingness that success had been assured. The various handsome articles which the ladies usually place on sale on these occasions, were eagerly sought after, and found ready and willing purchasers. A handsome "booth" had been erected in the centre of the building draped in pink, with electric lights hung from the tips and centre of a large pink umbrella. The lights were connected with the consent of the Electric Light Co., at the request of Mr. S. Merritt Potter, he having made the connections, and personally superintended the "plant" so much to his credit. The interior of the building was artistically draped in pink which added greatly to the beauty of the scene. Hundreds of handsome articles, too numerous to mention, were for sale at the "booth" which was presided over by Mrs. Chas. Matthews, Mrs. W. R. Potts and Mrs. S. A. Potter. Mrs. Judson A. Brown presided at a large table of other fancy articles; Mrs. Thomas Warman at another. Miss Mildred Potter and Miss Ella C. Woltmann at the flower table, Mrs. Curtis and Miss Musgrave at the candy table. Mrs. D. A. Lowitz and Mrs. James Spencer had charge of the large refreshment table which abounded with everything tempting. The chicken salad was equal to Delmonico's, and met with ready sale. Miss Clark and Miss Holderman had charge of the Post office, a large mail was received and distributed with great promptness. Visitors were well taken care of at the various refreshment tables by Miss Annie Murphy, Miss Lydia Colton, Miss Maggie Long, Miss Della Storm, Miss Lizzie Hasbrouck and Miss Emily Thompson. The great success of the sale was largely due to the untiring efforts of Mrs. T. Logan Murphy, Mrs. Chas. J. Taggart, Mrs. Mason W. Tyler, Mrs. W. R. Potts, Mrs. E. C. Woltmann, Mrs. S. A. Potter, Mrs. Wann, Miss Grace W. Luther, Mrs. B. A. Hegeman, Jr., Mrs. Turrell, Mrs. Geo. P. Dupee, Mrs. Thomas Warman, Mrs. J. C. McClymont, Miss Hattie DeKlyn, Mrs. Karl T. Polak and others. The sale was concluded at 11 o'clock p. m., and all retired to their homes greatly pleased with the success of the occasion.

His Hat Betrayed Him.

About three o'clock yesterday morning ex-Councilman Andrew Love, who resides on Duer street, North Plainfield, was rudely awakened by some one hammering on his front door. Mr. Love got up and saw in the bright moonlight the form of a drunken man on his front porch. He asked the man what he wanted, when the latter answered that he was looking for a man by the name of Young. The intruder was told that no one by that name lived there, and that he had better make himself scarce in that locality, lest the ex-Councilman should have his ire aroused and sit down heavily on the man. The stranger next made a general survey of the adjoining premises, occupied by Dr. Clark, but evidently fearing that the doctor had a bull-dog housed under the porch, did not molest that gentleman. The man next directed his attention to a house on the opposite side of the street, occupied by a family named Bowers. Here he forthwith went, bent on finding, if possible, the man Young. He ascended the steps leading to the front door, and after reeling around for a time, poked his head through one of the front windows, shattering the glass into fragments. This somewhat sobered him up, and he beat a hasty retreat before the occupants of the house had time to recover from the fright. When the man left the place he left his hat and all he had eaten for the day. The hat betrayed him, for next morning when it was shown to the borough authorities, it was at once recognized as belonging to a well known character called "Shamrock." He will probably have to pay for the broken glass.

Our Appeal Being Answered.

It was only in its issue of yesterday that an appeal was made by THE PRESS for relief and aid for Mrs. Estelle Jackson, whose husband has been sent to the State Prison as an incendiary, and who is left in sickness and distress with no one to support or succor her.

We are already able to announce that much has been done for this deserving woman. Some have sent her coal; the City will pay her rent; the Relief Association has donated some necessary clothing, and will employ a nurse; the City Physician is in attendance; and we have received some money in small sums to be forwarded. One of the donators of the latter writes:

"I have just received THE PRESS and read the appeal in behalf of Mrs. E. M. Jackson, which I heartily approve, as I have known Mrs. Jackson for some time, she having lived in my neighborhood. I herewith enclose $1 for her benefit. I would like to do more, but as I have seven children to support, it is all I can do at present."

FANWOOD FOLKS.

The first sound a visitor hears on mounting the depot steps—the gateway of the town, so to speak, is a confused medley of voices, the proprietors whereof are enquiring in a variety of tones ranging all the way from the bashful whisper to the lusty shout, whether the new comer desires a "hack." We betide him if he does! For how is a stranger in a strange land to decide between the seductive influence of Mr. Allen's hack and that of Flynn's, or between Hand's establishment and the concern of station master Brown? Charley Flynn often induces the foreigner to enroll himself under his banner, alternating with victories due to the mild expostulation of young Frank Allen, or the success of "Jackson," Kiah Hand's minion, who obtains much patronage by the inexorable logic of superior lungs. But Jackson is a thoroughly good natured youngster; nothing seems to mar the equanimity of his countenance. It might be supposed that there would be a coolness among the votaries of this profession, but such is not the case; you may often see them gathered around the stove discussing in the most friendly way the cause of the high price of butter and the low price of cheese, or the latest item in THE PRESS, never suggesting for a moment that in five minutes each of them will be trying to impress on the public the fact that every hack but his is a delusion and a snare. They all ought to have a large patronage this Winter, for unless one is blessed with a splendid constitution, a walk from the depot on a wintry, *and perhaps rainy night, is no joke, to* say nothing of those sidewalks, to which we had occasion to refer last week. One trouble connected with the carriage system is that you have to go all the way to the office to leave an order for a conveyance, and this is often an inconvenience. Mr. Allen tells me he has a plan whereby this trouble is obviated. It is simply this: Whenever any of his Front street customers wish a carriage, they hang a flag on the gate post, and when Mr. Allen comes along he sees at once what is wanted. Of course such a plan has to be arranged beforehand. But it may be a blow to the "hacking" interest if that horse railroad project, fond dream of the rural syndicate, is put through. We are subject to periodical revivals of this plan, and at certain regular intervals all Fanwood is talking of the time when one can step to the door, hail a passing car, and be carried to Plainfield without further delay. A most desirable scheme, and if there is enough custom here to support such a railroad, we ought to have this plan carried into effect.

What is the matter with Scotch Plains? She has tried conclusions at whist with Fanwood once more, this time on her own ground, and has again failed to connect. But she will try it again, and there will be some tall whist playing this Winter.

"'Tis the voice of the sluggard, I heard him complain, 'You have waked me too soon, I must slumber again.'" That is what the "menfolks" used to say on Sunday morning, and the family, fearing the disastrous effects of early Sunday rising, let him "slumber again." Which is why the aforesaid gentlemen were in the habit of coming straggling into church at the most unseemly hour, or perhaps of staying away altogether. There was no denying the fact that half-past ten was too early for business men to go to church, and as the business men form such a large—such a very large—part of the congregation, something had to be done. The Episcopal church has taken the lead in this movement, and now her service begins at eleven. The new arrangement commenced last Sunday, and the change not being universally known, many people were on hand at the old hour of half-past ten. When they received enlightenment, the sanctity of the day prevented them from giving expression to their feelings as they might otherwise have done. That is to say, it should have prevented them, but perhaps—didn't.

It is to be hoped that the prompt conviction and sentence of the Plainfield firebugs will have a salutary effect on the people of this town who are afflicted with incendiary tendencies. It seems hardly possible that in a place like this there should be a class of "firebugs," but many of the recent fires can apparently be accounted for in no other way. Thanks to our volunteer companies, the danger from fires is not as great as it might otherwise be.

SUBURBAN SAUNTERER.

A Way to Fill Emptyness.

Here is one of the ways to "run a newspaper for a dollar." When Miss King, the daughter of Mrs. Prescott, entertains her friends, make two items of it as was done last evening by the newspaper you can "learn how to run for a dollar." Thus:

"Friends of Miss Emma U. King of Second street made merry at a birthday party tendered to Miss King last night."

"A large number of young folks gathered at the residence of Miss Prescott on West Second street last evening and tendered her a surprise party, the occasion being the eighteenth anniversary of her birth."

It is easy enough when you know how, but it's worth a dollar to learn.

DR. PARKER EXONERATED

THE TROUBLE DUE ENTIRELY TO A MISTAKE.

He Holds a Session With the Memorial Committee and They Accept His Explanation--He Will Speak in Plymouth.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 2.—A meeting of the Beecher Memorial Fund Committee was held at the house of the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Hall, on Montague street, yesterday afternoon, and the Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker, of London, explained his action in connection with the proceeds of his eulogy of Mr. Beecher at the Academy of Music on October 4. When Dr. Parker arrived in the city on Wednesday he telegraphed Dr. Hall to call a meeting of the Memorial Committee at his house yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and at that hour most of the members were present. Dr. Parker appeared, and for nearly half an hour discussed the disposal of the money.

He said in the main that the whole affair was a misunderstanding, caused probably by his own carelessness. While in London he had supposed that all the cablegrams on the subject of the Beecher memorial referred to the same time, while in reality the committee had abandoned the project after the failure to get Dr. Parker to come for June 24. They had nothing to do with his visit in October. There was no explanation when Dr. Parker arrived, and he supposed the offer to pay his expenses was still [illegible].

The explanation satisfied the majority of the committee that Dr. Parker had labored under a mistaken idea all the time, and Dr. Hall, Vice-President Hinrichs and several others said so. After considerable discussion the following resolutions were adopted, and a copy sent to Dr. Parker at the Everett house:

Resolved, That the members of the Statue Fund Committee, having heard Dr. Parker upon the whole subject of his visit to this country and as to the payment of his expenses out of the proceeds of the Beecher eulogy fully exonerate him from all blame in the matter. All difficulties have arisen by reason of misunderstanding due to confusion in the multitude of letters and cablegrams that were sent to him from different sources. He was fully justified in believing that such expenses would be paid, and they have, in fact, been paid by a friend. The eulogy was pronounced without compensation received by Dr. Parker, and the committee take this opportunity of extending to him their thanks for his splendid tribute to the memory of Mr. Beecher. They further express their unqualified belief that in all the circumstances connected with the eulogy Dr. Parker has conducted himself as an honorable gentleman and a Christian teacher.

At Plymouth church last night there was a hastily called meeting of members of the church and society in the parlors of the church. Deacon Pratt presided, and there were present S. V. White, Pastor Halliday, Dr. Brush, W. C. Beecher, Thomas G. Shearman, T. G. Tilney, John T. Howard, and a half dozen ladies. The main feature of the evening was the action of S. V. White, who recently wrote a letter condemning Dr. Parker, and alleging that Plymouth church would be made too hot for him if he would ever return. Mr. White withdrew that language amid much applause, and expressed his pleasure at hearing that the hard feeling between Dr. Parker and the Monument committee had been explained away.

Mr. Shearman also spoke renewing his offer to reimburse the committee for the $700 claimed by Dr. Parker, and several other members spoke briefly. The reading of the resolutions adopted by the monument committee by Mr. Halliday brought out applause, and a set of resolutions congratulating Dr. Parker upon the satisfactory conclusion of the disagreeable affair was adopted. The invitation to him to preach on Sunday next was renewed and a project to give him a rousing reception on some evening of the coming week was set in motion. Mr. Halliday was instructed to take charge of the affair, fix the date, and attend to all the details.

JAKE SHARP GOES HOME.

He Leaves Ludlow Street Jail Under $40,000 Bond.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Yesterday afternoon Under-Sheriff Sexton was served with the order of Judge Barrett directing that Jacob Sharp be discharged from custody. He immediately filled out an order to Warden Keating directing the release of Sharp, and the latter, accompanied by Warden Keating and two of his grandsons, was driven in a coach to his house in West Twenty-third street. The amount of bail given was $40,000.

The proceedings in court occupied but a short time. Sharp's attorney, Hon. W. Bourke Cockran, followed by Mr. George W. Shepherd, of No. 322 West Twenty-second street, and Isaac Hendrix, of No. 316 West Thirty-fourth street, appeared before Judge Barrett, sitting in supreme court chambers, to offer bail for Sharp. The defendant was brought into court by Warden Keating, and Mr. Cockran at once presented the two bail bonds which had been accepted by District Attorney Martine.

The formal order directing the discharge of Sharp had been signed by Judge Barrett about an hour earlier. The bondsmen were brought up to the bench and formally identified their signatures. Judge Barrett then asked Sharp if he admitted that his signature was appended to the bonds, and Sharp nodded his head and mumbled a feeble reply.

Each of the bondsmen qualified in the sum of $40,000, double the amount of bail demanded.

Loss Fully Covered by Insurance.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Dec. 2.—The large shoe store of J. C. Chamberlain, at 17 Peace street, was destroyed by fire yesterday and its contents ruined by water. The fire started ten feet from the heater beneath the floor of the store. It was doubtless of incendiary origin. The building is owned by Ignatz Frankenstein, of [illegible], and is damaged to the extent of $2,000, which is fully covered by $11,000 of insurance on the building. Chamberlain, the owner of the stock, lives at 1825 Columbia avenue, Philadelphia. The stock was insured for $7,000.

Oil Producers in a Quandry.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 2.—Prominent oil producers are holding a secret meeting here, among whom are a number of Standard men, discussing the shut-down movement. The shut-down has been in effect a month and the production largely limited, but as prices have not advanced, producers are worse off than they were before. Several men want to break the agreement, but the outcome cannot be predicted. The Standard wants the shut-down continued.

To Visit the Pope.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2.—Archbishop Ryan left here yesterday for New York. He and Bishop Ryan, of Buffalo, will sail for Europe to-morrow morning by the steamship Servia, to pay their official visit to Rome. The archbishop will return in March.

POWDERLY'S SECOND LETTER.

What He Thinks of the Kickers Within the Order.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2.—Saturday's issue of the *Journal of United Labor*, the official organ of the Knights of Labor, will contain Mr. Powderly's second letter to the order on "the work of knighthood," covering three columns. Among other things Mr. Powderly says:

From an organization numbering less than 10,000 members when the first general assembly was held, we have seen the Knights of Labors grow until over 700,000 men and women claim membership at one time. While that vast and industrial army was being gathered together, while the seed was being sown, men who were pioneers were making sacrifices that the order may live in history as a power for good. Men good and true were blacklisted and discharged, but they never murmured; they never found fault with the order, because of their misfortunes for the reason that they felt that it was theirs to do or to die. They were not working for self nor the present; they worked for posterity and the future. When I hear men talk of seceding from the organization with the threat of starting an improved order I fancy that they know but little of the trials, the dangers, and odds against which they will have to contend, and I feel that the amount of energy to build up a new order if properly applied to the old one would make it invincible. It is true that in the old organization all who aspire cannot be officers, all who pull wires cannot succeed in getting a position, but it is equally true that if they secede, if they succeed in building up a new order, they only make it possible for other men to pull wires and aspire to the place which they continually hope to secure for themselves. If in the new order they succeed better than in the old one and secure offices, they do so only to find at their elbows men who, like themselves, will stop at nothing mean or low to compass their ends. Assassination of character begins anew, charges of dishonesty, of fraud, of betrayal, and felling out, are again set afloat. I do not object to honest criticism. I am not only willing to admit my faults, but I am willing to be told of them in a fraternal way; but it is hardly fair or just to rush before the world with every trifling thing, and instead of criticism deal out abuse and vituperation."

Pardoned Yesterday by the President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The president granted pardons yesterday in the following cases: Joseph T. Brown, convicted in Arkansas of presenting false accounts, and sentenced to five years' imprisonment; Edward Ward, convicted in the District of Columbia of larceny; Walter P. Carter, convicted in Illinois of counterfeiting, and sentenced to seven years' imprisonment; Richard Stewart, convicted in South Carolina of violating internal revenue laws; R. L. D. Evans, convicted in Tennessee of passing counterfeit money, and sentenced to three years' imprisonment, and Hensley Thomas, convicted in Indiana of retailing liquor without a license. In all these cases the convicts have completed their terms of imprisonment and the action of the president was merely to restore them to citizenship.

All Cause for Alarm Removed.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2.—Through the exercise of tact and diplomacy on the part of General Manager McLeod, of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad, and a committee of the Reading employees and the striking miners, all danger of serious complications between the company and Lehigh operators because of the interception of Lehigh "scab" coal has been avoided. The 25 cars that had been side-tracked in the suburbs of this city since Monday were yesterday delivered to the consignees by the Reading employees, under instructions from their committee, who had been convinced by General Manager McLeod of the legal necessity of delivering the coal to escape prosecution.

A Youthful Jesse James.

WILKESBARRE, Dec. 2.—John Engle, 13 years of age, jumped from a Pennsylvania railroad passenger train last evening while it was running at the rate of 45 miles an hour. The boy was in charge of a constable. The train was stopped, and a number of persons started out to look for the boy, with the aid of lanterns, but thus far he has not been found. When he jumped the train was passing over an embankment fifty feet high, close to the Susquehanna river. Young Engle stole $150 from John Fairchild, a farmer, and when arrested had a revolver, two bowie knives and several dime novels in his possession. He said he was going west to scalp Indians.

The Cold Wave.

TROY, Dec. 2.—The thermometer fell to 6 degrees above zero yesterday morning. The river is full of anchor ice. At North Lansingburgh 2 above zero was recorded. The Champlain canal was frozen over at Waterford.

CALAIS, Me., Dec. 2.—The temperature fell to 10 degrees below zero here Wednesday night. Heavy gales prevail. The mill ponds are frozen solid.

CANAJOHARIE, Dec. 2.—The thermometer registered eight degrees below zero in the Mohawk Valley last night.

Quiet Prevails Among the Indians.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Indian Inspector Armstrong arrived in Washington yesterday from the Crow Agency in Montana, where he was sent some weeks ago by Secretary Lamar to investigate the "Swordbearer" outbreak. The inspector reports that quiet prevails at the agency, and that the Indians heartily commend the action of the government in removing the belligerent bucks to Fort Snelling.

Graves for the Anarchists.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—The sub committee of the anarchist defense committee and the Central Labor union yesterday decided to accept an offer made [illegible] cemetery to bury the [illegible]. The offer was a particularly favorable one and the committee [illegible]. The bodies will be [illegible] next Sunday.

The Cohoes Child Labor Cases.

TROY, Dec. 2.—In the [illegible] court at Cohoes yesterday [illegible] warrant against [illegible] superintendent of the [illegible] mills, was [illegible] by the factory inspectors. The prosecution [illegible] prove the charges against him. The rest of the cases of alleged violation of the child labor law were adjourned until Saturday.

Natural Gas in Indiana.

PERU, Ind., Dec. 2.—Natural gas has been struck at Nonia, eighteen miles south of here. The daily flow is estimated at [illegible] cubic feet. The well is about 90 feet deep and [illegible] Trenton [illegible] seventy-five feet [illegible] a four-inch pipe.

Miners Suffocated.

[illegible] Dec. 2.—[illegible] colliery at Peromia, [illegible] workmen were [illegible] others were [illegible] and resuscitated.

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CLOSE OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING.

Ex-Gov. St. John Draws a Sad Picture of the Present State of Things--The Probable Candidate for President.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—At the meeting of the national committee of the Prohibition party yesterday, the representation in the national conventional of 1888 was fixed on the basis of twice as many delegates from each state and territory as represent it in congress, the delegates to be elected by such methods as may be decided upon by the state committees.

The meeting ended last night with a grand mass meeting at Battery D. The great hall was comfortably filled and the utmost enthusiasm prevailed. The speakers were Gen. Clinton B. Fisk, of New Jersey, Mrs. Mary T. Lathrop, and ex-Gov. St. John. Gov. St. John said in the course of his speech:

"We hang and imprison anarchists, and at the same time legalize, protect and perpetuate 200,000 saloons, the hotbeds where anarchy is propagated, thrives and fattens. As the Sabbath bells invite the people to the house of God, the brass band leads the way to the Sunday horse race, prize fight, baseball and beer garden; Jeff Davis in his dotage, without a ballot, denounced as a traitor, and the ex-rebel guerrilla Mosby in the prime of his manhood (with a ballot), receiving a foreign mission; the right of a "free ballot" demanded for the black men of the South, while the white men are burned and hung in effigy for exercising that right in the North.

"Ministers of the gospel were persecuted and driven from the pulpit for preaching and voting against African slavery forty years ago, and they have been persecuted, boycotted and driven from the pulpit for preaching and voting against the rum slavery of to-day.

"Lovejoy fell a martyr to freedom in the fight against the slavery curse. Haddock and Gambrel and four others have fallen martyrs to our homes in this struggle against the saloon curse.

"In the face of political platforms declaring for a fair count the black man is counted out in Mississippi and South Carolina in his race for congress, and the white man is counted out in Michigan and Ohio in his fight for prohibition.

"Ignorant, vile, profane, vicious, dishonest, bleareyed drunken bummers and tramps are allowed to vote because they are men; but our mothers, wives and daughters, educated, refined, pure, noble and true, are not allowed to vote because they are women.

"While in one breath bribe taking is condemned, in the next a bribery bureau, with a political anarchist at its head, is unblushingly admitted to be a part of a political machinery of a great party. While a poor woman is heavily fined for playfully pitching a pancake at a presidential party, an $8,000 diamond-mounted gold belt is given to John L. Sullivan as the champion slugger of the world. And yet the people are asked to perpetuate the political parties under whose rule this condition of things has been brought about.

The man who shall lead us to a glorious triumph is that honest patriot and Christian statesman, Gen. Clinton B. Fisk of New Jersey.

CINCINNATI HAS A BIG FIRE.

The Strobridge Lithographing Company's Establishment in Ruins.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 2.—Fire broke out at an early hour yesterday morning in the Strobridge Lithographing company on North Canal street. The fire department was slow in getting to work, and the building and contents became a total loss. The establishment had a complete stock on hand, and the estimated loss is $300,000. The fire gained headway so rapidly that the firemen could do little to check it. One fireman was seriously injured.

Within the building as tenants were James Barclay, job printer, and the Halstead Stocking company. Their loss will be about $10,000 each.

The Strowbridge company have an office in New York and one in London, England, but their work is done here.

The building was a fine structure, five stories high and fronting more than a hundred feet on the north side of the canal. It was filled with costly machinery. Most of the winter work for theatrical companies was finished, but a large quantity was still in the building, and a number of theatrical companies will be without material to properly bill their plays. Among those suffering in this way are Charles A. Hoyt's three companies, "The Tin Soldier," "Rag Baby" and "Hole in the Ground;" "Michael Strogoff," Kiralfy's "Lagadere" and "Aladdin;" Montgomery Phister's "Soap Bubble," and Forepaugh's and Barnum's circusses. The work on the latter, however, had not advanced very far.

Formation of the Association.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—After two months' steady work, the Transcontinental officials yesterday succeeded in agreeing upon the formation of an association. The headquarters are fixed at Denver, and J. S. Leeds is to be chairman of the organization. The Pacific Mail Steamship company is to receive a monthly subsidy equal to $65,000, but it has not yet been settled whether it will be paid in cash or by diverting sufficient Pacific company's freight to the route to make up the amount. There is some doubt whether the cash could be paid under the law. An arrangement has been made with the Canadian Pacific whereby it will be allowed to charge a less rate on traffic to San Francisco, and will interchange business at Portland with the Northern and Union Pacific roads. First class freight will be advanced from New York to San Francisco from $3 to $3.50 a hundred pounds, and other rates in proportion. The new arrangement will probably go into effect on January 1.

Fighting Ship Owners.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—[illegible] San Diego and other California ports [illegible] by the attitude of the Coast Seamen's union towards ship-owners. The old fight for high wages and the right to dictate rules about crews, etc., has been renewed with vigor. The union has [illegible] in southern California ports, and Monday night at San Diego threw a dynamite [illegible] against a boycotted bark, tearing a hole in her bows. Officers of the union [illegible] declare that they understand the manufacture and use of dynamite, and will use their knowledge in the fight against the shipowners.

A Statue of Garfield.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 2.—The Garfield [illegible] statue, by Niehaus, was [illegible] afternoon. The young daughter of [illegible] Smith pulled the cord that revealed the statue. The statue is of bronze [illegible] stands upon a tall granite base at [illegible] and Race streets. Ezra Taylor, representative in congress from Garfield's district, delivered the oration.

RICH NEWSPAPER MEN.

The Chief Editors of the Great New York Dailies All Wealthy.

All the chief editors of the leading daily papers of New York are men of vast wealth, writes John Swinton, and yet nearly every one of them is a hard worker in his business. The richest of them all is, doubtless, Mr. Bennett, of the *Herald*, who is still spoken of as "young Bennett," though he is hastening toward the fiftieth year of his life, most of which is spent in Europe. The one who has the largest income at this time is, doubtless, Mr. Joseph Pulitzer of the *World*, whose fortune is the result of four or five years of enterprise. The wealth of Mr. Dana of the *Sun* will be increased this year by the revenue of his new evening issue. Mr. Reid of the *Tribune* has grown to be a rich man during the last ten years from the income of his paper and of his immense building in which it is published. Mr. Jones of the *Times*, who has a lieutenant in the chair as editor, is a millionaire. Mr. Ottendorfer of the *Staats-Zeitung* ranks among the richest editors of the city. Mr. Albert Pulitzer of the *Journal* has been raised to fortune by his paper within a very few years. Mr. Godkin of the *Post* is a rich man, and so is Mr. Godwin of the *Commercial Advertiser*; and so is Mr. Stone of the *Journal of Commerce*; and so is Mr. Field of the *Mail*, who delegates the duty of editor. It is probable that Mr. Dorsheimer of the *Star* is the least wealthy among the editors of important dailies in New York, but if his paper should find the pathway of success, only a brief period of time will be needed to fill his coffers.

One of these editors got his wealth by inheritance, four of them got theirs by *marriage* and the others *"made it for themselves."* The most elderly of them are Godwin, Jones, Stone, Ottendorfer and Field, the youngest of them are the brothers Pulitzer, and among the gray-heads are Dana, Reid, Bennett, Dorsheimer and Godkin. Four of the editors here spoken of are foreign born and the other eight are native Americans. Mr. Dorsheimer is the largest of them in size and Mr. Jones is the smallest. All of them are men of strong and striking faces, and several of them are positively handsome. It would doubtless raise jealousy in their ranks to decide which is the best-looking in the eye of an artist, but any one who knows them all will at once pick out him who bears the closest resemblance to the Olympian Jupiter. The only daily paper in town that has passed from its founder to his son is the *Herald*, and of the dozen here named, ten have been wrenched out of the hands that held them at the close of the war. All the chief daily editors now on the stage here have heirs to whom they expect to bequeath their papers, regardless of such vicissitudes as have overtaken their predecessors of recent times.

ITALIAN BRIGANDS.

They Cut Off Ears, Toes and Fingers of Captives Held for Ransom.

In one of the last kidnaping cases which took place in the kingdom of Naples, when the traveler held in bondage was a wealthy English gentleman, the General commanding the Italian forces offered to send whole brigades of infantry and cavalry and whole batteries of artillery against the brigands if the relatives of the kidnaped gentleman would only undertake not to enter into negotiations with the "Cattiva Gente," says a London paper. This contention of the Italian General was ostensibly logical. He explained to the Englishman's family that the brigands would not dare to harm a hair of their relative's head, because if they ventured to do so the entire divisional command, horse, foot and dragoons, would be down upon them and utterly annihilate them. This family replied quite as logically that if the bandits did not get the ransom the chances were in favor of their murdering the English gentleman *"pour encourager les autres,"* and that afterward they would quietly disperse in the hope of evading the pursuit of the Government troops.

Sometimes the brigands, when they had got a wealthy prisoner into their clutches, would, by their emissaries, send to his family fragments of his corporeal structure—one day, an ear; the next, a toe; the third a finger; the fourth, two front teeth, carefully wrapped up as a parcel, with a polite warning that if the ransom were not forthcoming the traveler's eyes, and then his legs, and ultimately his head, would follow.

These barbarous processes for raising the wind, however, were only resorted to in cases when wealthy Italian farmers or shopkeepers were the victims. The brigands knew full well the surest way of conquering the penuriousness of the prisoner's family. They knew that they would only "part" when absolutely forced to do so by ocular testimony of the treatment inflicted on their kinsman.

Shylockism in China.

In some places in China debtors who are unable to meet the claims of their creditors are punished with the loss of sight. In a case which came under Dr. Morrison's observation it was the debtor's son who was the victim of this diabolical custom. He was tied hands and feet, and deprived wholly of the sight of one eye, while that of the other would have been lost but for timely surgical aid. The offense was that the poor fellow's father owed [illegible] forty taels, or about fifty dollars.

Thousands of Children Starving.

Some days ago V[illegible] was startled by a statement [illegible] there are [illegible] apparel [illegible] attire [illegible] contributions [illegible] poor [illegible]

[illegible] stop it.

A [illegible]

[illegible] bear, [illegible]

GREVY STILL HESITATES

EXCITEMENT CAUSED BY HIS DELAY IN RESIGNING.

He Will, However, Likely Hand in His Resignation To-day—He Says the Chamber Must Bear the Responsibility.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—President Grevy yesterday forenoon informed the ministerial council that in view of the change in the situation he did not propose to make a communication on the subject of his resignation to parliament.

When the chamber of deputies assembled M. Rouvier announced that the president had reconsidered his decision to send a message to the chamber containing his resignation, and that therefore the cabinet had again resigned.

M. Ricard, president of the left groups, moved that the sitting be suspended. The members of the right and the extreme left murmured at this proposal, and M. Cuneo d'Ornano exclaimed: "Dissolution would be preferable." But the motion was carried.

The chamber assembled at 4 p. m., but a further recess was taken until 6 o'clock. The senate took a recess until 8 o'clock.

The further adjournment of the chamber of deputies until 6 o'clock was the result of a conference between the four republican groups, who unanimously agreed to adopt an order of the day declaring that the chamber, awaiting the communication promised from the president, would adjourn until 6 o'clock. When the session was resumed at 4 o'clock the order was submitted and met with applause from both the left and the centre.

M. Rouvier then again returned to the palace to communicate to M. Grevy the result of the vote. A cabinet council was immediately held at the Elysee. M Rouvier having explained the bearing of the vote, M. Grevy turned to each minister and asked his opinion. All told him that his immediate resignation appeared to be peremptory. M. Grevy replied that it was the chamber that had brought about the existing situation and that the chamber must bear the responsibility before the judgment seat of history. A discussion ensued on the terms of the ministerial declaration to be made in parliament. M. Grevy begged M. Rouvier not to pronounce the word "resignation" from the tribune. The use of the word, he said, would be unconstitutional because congress ought to be summoned immediately on the president's resignation which was to be announced Friday. He authorised M. Rouvier, however, to informally acquaint the individual deputies that his resolution was taken and that in the presence of the votes in the senate and chamber it was irrevocable.

The sitting of the chamber of depeties was resumed at 6:20. M. Rouvier ascended the tribune and announced that he had communicated to M. Grevy the vote of the chamber on the order of the day. This communication, said M. Rouvier, caused the president to modify his resolution. He had never intended to enter upon a conflict with parliament, and would, therefore, send a message to the chamber of deputies and the senate Friday, informing them of his decision. M. Rouvier added that the president declined to accept the resignation of the cabinet, which, therefore, retained its functions.

M. Rouvier's statement was greeted with cheers, and at its conclusion the chamber adjourned till 2 p. m. to-day.

The senate adjourned until 2 o clock in the afternoon. No doubt is now entertained that the president will now resign. Congress meets on Saturday. The plenary meeting of republicans will be held at Versailles on Saturday morning.

M. Rouvier freely expressed during the course of the day the opinion that the president will only resign under pressure of a hostile manifestation by the chambers.

The excitement in the city is intense. A mob gathered during the afternoon in front of the Elysee and began howling for the president to resign. Troops guarded the entrance to the palace. The crowds in front of the chamber of deputies became so demonstrative that cavalry were obliged to charge them.

A number of members of the chamber of deputies expressed their determination to impeach M. Grevy if his resignation was not announced when the sitting was resumed.

HIS BABY MAJESTY.

The Little King Looks On While His Mother Opens the Cortes.

MADRID, Dec. 2.—The queen regent opened the cortes yesterday, the infant king being present. The queen's speech referred gratefully to the loyal demonstrations that were made during her recent visit to the northern part of the kingdom, to measures for the extension of the right of suffrage and for the benefit of trade and agriculture.

The speech also stated that at the request of Morocco, Spain was arranging for a conference of the powers of the signatory treaty of 1880.

The German Corn Bill.

BERLIN, Dec. 2.—The Reichstag yesterday began debate on the cereals duties bill. Dr. von Lucius, minister of agriculture, defended the measure on the ground of increasing depression in agriculture. He said that the present duties did not afford sufficient protection, and that consumers would not suffer in consequence of the new duties. In the event of a bad harvest, resulting in higher prices, a reduction of the duties would always be possible.

The Crown Prince.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—The *Lancet* says: "Dr Mackenzie receives highly satisfactory advices concerning the condition of the German crown prince. In view of the fact that there is no actual microscopical proof of the existence of cancer, the diminution of the swelling is not without a certain degree of importance."

No Bidder for the Big Diamond.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—The great orange diamond which was found at the Cape of Good Hope, and which is ten carats heavier than the famous stone known as the Koh-i-noor, now in possession of Queen Victoria, was offered for sale at auction in London yesterday, but was withdrawn, there being no bidders.

Earthquake in England.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—A shock of earthquake was felt at Chorley, county of Lancaster yesterday morning. A rumbling noise accompanied the shock. Buildings shook and the people left their houses, greatly frightened. No serious damage was done.

Don't Want to Pay the Advance.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 2.—The railroad coal operators of the Pittsburg district who have paid the advance as provided by the Columbus scale have began to object vigorously. Some of them have notified the miners that the advance will not be paid unless the rate is made uniform and every operator placed on the same basis.

OPPOSITION TO POWDERLY.

Two Rebellious Knights Are Trying to Organize Another Order of the K. of L.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—The chief movers in the attempt to organize another order of Knights of Labor have issued a circular addressed to the local assemblies of the Knights of Labor in Cook county, requesting them to co-operate in reorganizing the order on an honest and substantial basis. The plan is for each assembly to refuse to pay further tribute to the general assembly unless an itemized account of the receipts and expenditures of the general assembly be presented to the local assemblies. The circular is sent out from the headquarters of the provisional committee, of which Charles F. Seib is secretary. In the preamble the members of the committee say that they wish to sever their connection with the order, because they are "indignant at the usurpation of power, the gross violations of the laws of our order by those high in authority; disgusted with those whose loyalty to the present ring has been gained by the pickings they receive as a reward for their services; incensed at the fawning sycophants who crawl on their knees in slavish submission to the most corrupt, the most hypocritical, the most autocratic and tyrannical clique that ever controlled any labor organization."

Following this all sorts of charges are made against the general office and general assembly. It is asserted that the order is run by a ring, the members of which care nothing for workingmen. The ring, as the circular says, exists together for the purpose of holding the salaried positions.

The Big Oil Well Fire in Ohio.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 2.—The oil well at Cygnet, the greatest gusher in the Ohio field, which caught fire one week ago, and burned until Wednesday, when the flames were extinguished, is generally estimated to have consumed 300,000 barrels of oil. The fire was extinguished with much difficulty, and in quite a novel way, a huge crane being erected by the means of which an immense cap was swung into position over the well, smothering the flames. The origin of the fire is somewhat odd. The weather was rainy and a dense mass of fog and smoke hung over the well. This, it is thought, confined near the ground, gas which escaped from the well. Sparks from a passing locomotive ignited the gas, an explosion followed, and the air for rods in every direction seemed to be filled with [illegible].

K. of L. Assembly Disbanded.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 2.—The Knights of Labor assembly No. 7,817, at Newcastle, a thriving town thirty miles from here, is on the verge of death from internal dissension, and their charter and seal are in custody. It seems that Master Workman McMahon became discouraged at the failure of the knights to keep in good standing, and, according to his allegation, so many were in arrears that he concluded to disband the assembly, a power he claims under the constitution of the order, and accordingly went to the hall, took possession of the charter, and wrote a note saying he thereby disbanded the assembly by virtue of his authority as master workman.

Oil Production Statistics.

BRADFORD, Pa., Dec. 2.—In the New York and Pennsylvania oil fields 111 wells were completed in November, with a new production of 1,624 barrels. The dry holes numbered 49. Compared with October there is a decrease of 43 wells completed, and of 952 barrels new production. For the close of November the record shows 45 new rigs, 114 old rigs, and 130 drilling wells. This represents a decline of 24 new rigs, and 3 drilling wells from the figures of Oct. 31. A number of wells are being sunk for gas, most of them in territory that is reasonably certain to furnish nothing but gas.

Left a Shady Record Behind Him.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 2.—J. L. Eichelberger, a young attorney, has been missing from his home since Thanksgiving day, and several crooked transactions have been discovered. Among them is the obtaining of a gold watch from his affianced bride and a diamond ring from a jeweller of his acquaintance on false pretences. The endorsement on a note given by Eichelberger is pronounced a forgery. Eichelberger was to have been married on Thanksgiving, but postponed the ceremony until Christmas.

The Last Clause Kills Them.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—The men interested in getting up a sangerfest for the benefit of the families of the executed anarchists have been notified by Mayor Roche upon what terms they could occupy Battery D hall on Dec. 10. The mayor says there shall be no red flag or other emblems save the national colors. The speeches must not be incendiary. Everything must be done decently and in order, and above all, no beer will be allowed to be sold or drunk upon the premises.

The Fire in the Copper Mine.

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—At the office of the Calumut and Hecla Mining Co., the officials of the company present denied any knowledge of the condition of the fire in the company's mine. Treasurer Seabury was shown a private despatch which stated that things looked unfavorable for the plant. He said: "You know as much about it as we do, which is nothing at all. The mine is closed and no one can know the extent of the fire or the damage."

"The Rev. J. H. Healy" Back in Jail.

CARTHAGE, Mo., Dec. 2.—Sheriff Bailey arrived here to-day, bringing with him "the Rev. J. H. Healy," who, in company with four others, broke jail here more than a week ago. The parson was captured at Siloam Springs, and his smiling face is now seen behind the bars of the new steel jail, from which he will find it more difficult to escape than from the old "cooler," where the prisoners were lodged at the time of the breakout.

Oarsmen to Visit Florida.

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—The oarsmen, Teemer Hamm and McKay, have decided to take a Florida trip together. While there they will receive $1,000 for two races. The first will take place at Charlotte Harbor, at the mouth of the Pease river, and the second on Lake Weir, a body of water well adapted to aquatic sports. The date of the first race will be Feb. 4, that of the second has not been fixed.

A Detroit Tug Seized.

OTTAWA, Dec. 2.—The collector of customs at Amherstburg has seized the steam-tug Bob Anderson, belonging to Mr. Demars of Detroit, for towing vessels into Canadian ports and not reporting them inward or outward. The vessel has been released on the payment of a deposit of $400 pending the decision of the department.

Murders in the Choctaw Nation.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 2.—Advices from Stanley, Choctaw nation, report the killing of a man named Ward by one Martin yesterday. This is the seventh murder in four days within a radius of 100 miles.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, 11.42, a.m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, 11.42, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 7.14, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9.29, 10.45, 12.40, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.04, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, 11.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

7.14, a. m.—For Flemington.

8.05, a. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, &c.

6.02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, 11.42 a.m. 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.30, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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FIRE IN A NEW YORK TENANT.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Fire broke out in the five-story brick building at 345 West Forty-third street yesterday morning. The building was occupied by eleven families. The fire originated in the rooms back of the tailor shop and the flames quickly reached to the top floor.

Upon the second floor lived John Jacobs, his wife and two little sons. Mrs. Jacobs rushed into the street with her year-old son John in her arms. The little fellow had nothing on but a cotton nightdress, and a red tablecloth was wrapped around him. Mr. Jacobs attempted to save some of his property, but failed, and in his excitement he forgot that his other son Joseph, 5 years old, had not been aroused.

In the ruins were found the remains of little Josie Jacobs. The little fellow was burned to a bundle of charred bones.

The building was damaged $20,000, and the individual losses suffered by the tenants increase the amount to nearly $30,000.

A Bad Anarchist Locked Up.

TOLEDO, Dec. 2.—A German, supposed to be John Schwartz, has been arrested at Lima. He raves continually of the anarchists and says he will make it hot for Gov. Oglesby and that "all men who have blood on their hands will have trouble." Before his arrest he was engaged in a vain search for President Cleveland. He threatened to kill the chief magistrate before he was locked up if the president wouldn't give up his crown and come down from his throne.

Good Prices for Yearlings.

LEXINGTON, Dec. 2.—The bay colt King Russell, yearling by Lord Russell, dam Mist, by King Rene, has been sold by W. H. & W. J. Lewis, of Bellair stock farm, Franklin county, to Stevens & Berry for $1,750. The bay colt Pure Wilkes, yearling, by Red Wilkes, dam Purity, by Brignoli, has been sold by J. J. Conlin, of Briar Hill stock farm, Fayette county, to H. G. Wood, Nantic, Mass., for $1,500.

Bomb Found in a Newspaper Office.

RENOVA, Dec. 2.—A twenty-one inch gas pipe, heavily loaded with dynamite powder, has been discovered in the *Evening News* office. A five-inch fuse, partly burned, was attached to the pipe, showing that a dastardly attempt had been made to blow up the office. The publisher of the paper, J. P. Dwyer, has no idea how the bomb got there, or what could be the motive of those who wished his destruction.

Boston Wants Clarkson.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 2.—Mrs. Catharine Kelly, of Boston, mother-in-law of Joe Hornung, Boston's left fielder, is visiting her son in this city. She says that Boston has given Hornung and $1,000 to Chicago for the release of Pitcher Clarkson. The sale of Hornung has already been announced, but the rest of the deal was not known.

O'Connor and Esmonde in Kentucky.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 2.—Arthur O'Connor and Thomas Grattan Esmonde visited Belle Meade, Melrose and the Polk mansion yesterday, and last night they spoke in the Grand Opera house. They leave here to-day, going direct to Mammoth Cave, Kentucky.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

Three hundred New York farmers in Newmarket, Ont., yesterday declared in favor of commercial union with Canada.

The tramp Michael O'Brien, charged with assaulting Miss McGreger, was taken from the Alamosa (Cal.) jail on Wednesday night and lynched.

Meriden, Conn., had a brief water scare yesterday. Ice and leaves from the reservoir became jammed in the supply pipe and it took several hours to clear it out.

Eight hundred and fifty Scandinavians from the extreme northwest will leave New York for Sweden and Norway this week. They go over for the Christmas holidays.

A witness in the Haddock murder trial swore that Arensdorf, ten days before the assassination, said he would head a mob at any time to drive the prohibitionists out of the state.

Smallpox is in Buffalo, N. Y. It is claimed to have been imported there by Charles Holtz and his family, who arrived in New York from Hamburg on the steamer Wieland October 28.

French Canadians demand that Sir Charles Tupper shall ask our government to pay hog duties. This is considered "a foreign element" for the fishery commission to consider.

Garner & Co.'s cotton mill, in Reading, Pa., has been ordered to pay Jeremiah Heckman $15,000 for injuries which he received through the alleged carelessness of the mill superintendent.

Clarence Murray, alias Blackwood, alias Webster, was arrested in Syracuse, N. Y., yesterday, on the charge of bigamy. Last January he married Etta Lehman, at Albany, having another wife living at the same time.

Weather Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2, 6 a. m.—The weather indications for New York, New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are: Warmer, fair weather, light to fresh winds, generally southerly.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Money on call 5 and 6 per cent.

BONDS.

	Closing, Yesterday.	Closing, To-day.
4½s, 1891, reg	[illegible]	107½
4½s, 1891, coup	108⅛	107⅜
4s, 1907, reg	125¼	125⅜
4s, 1907, coup	126¼	126⅜

STOCK MARKET.

[illegible] was irregular [illegible] in either direction [illegible].

CLOSING PRICES.

	Closing, Yesterday.	Closing, To-day.
[illegible] Pacific	[illegible]	55
Chicago, Bur. & Q	129	128
C[illegible]	33⅛	33
Del. & Hud.	103¼	105⅜
D., Lack. & W	130⅛	130⅛
E[illegible]	28¼	28
[illegible]	—	
[illegible]	[illegible]	93¾
[illegible]	[illegible]	60½
[illegible]	[illegible]	8[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	89⅜
[illegible]	30	38⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	74¾
N[illegible]	[illegible]	10[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	1[illegible]
[illegible]		88
Pacific Mail	[illegible]	39
Re[illegible]	[illegible]	63⅜
[illegible] R.	111	112
St. P[illegible]	[illegible]	74½
Union Pacific	[illegible]	55¾
West[illegible]	[illegible]	78

[illegible] Creamery—Eastern [illegible] Western [illegible] half firkin [illegible] entire [illegible]—Fresh 26c [illegible]

Cheese [illegible] factory—New York [illegible] western flat [illegible]

[illegible] Fresh Eastern [illegible]

FAMILY COATS-OF-ARMS.

Nearly All Worn in This Country Declared to Be Bogus.

"O, yes; my business is very good," said the little man to a New York *Sun* reporter. "I supply coats of arms to all the principal families in New York. They come to me and want me to look up the history of their family and paint their coat of arms for them. I have such a large number of records that I can almost always find it for them."

"But what do they do in case they have no coat of arms?" asked the reporter.

"O, well, in that case," replied the little man, "there is no law to hinder a man from adopting one. Sometimes people don't like the colors of the coats that belong to them, and want me to paint them in different colors. Of course, in that case I can only give them a certificate that it is painted like 'copy shown.'"

Mr. Edward Vermont, the well-known editor of the book entitled "American Heraldica," and one of the best authorities on the subject in the country, was found in the editorial rooms of the *Curio*, of which he has charge, and expressed himself as very ready to talk upon the subject.

"The fact is," said he, "there are very few families that are entitled to arms, any way. The number is much smaller than is generally supposed, even by those well read on the subject. I do not suppose that there are six hundred families in America who have any title to the arms they wear. There surely are not over two hundred in New York, and not over twenty of these are Knickerbocker families. The number of these is very small, indeed, as almost all of the early Dutch settlers came from merchant families in Holland, and there were very few of them that were not 'ignobilis,' as they were called in heraldry—that is, not entitled to wear arms."

"How large a proportion of the coats-of-arms that we see on coach panels, then, are *genuine?*" asked *the reporter.*

"Not over five per cent," replied Mr. Vermont, "and I doubt if there are that. All the others are bogus. I do not mean that they are all made up out of whole cloth, but most of them are well-known coats which the persons who wear them have no right to whatever. In many instances the people are perfectly honest in their belief that they belong to them. Sometimes their father assumes them, and bore them so long that he began to think he owned them; and their children haven't a doubt that he did. One of the most frequent causes of this is the belief people have that they are entitled to their mother's arms. This is not so. When a man who is entitled to bear arms marries an heiress who is also entitled to bear them, he will place her arms upon a 'shield of pretense' upon his own, and his children will quarter them. But if an 'ignobilis'—a man who has no arms—marries an heiress, his children can not make any use whatever of their mother's arms, because they had nothing to quarter them with."

SHREWD SPARROWS.

They Build Nests for Themselves in Spite of All Opposition.

In New York, where is said to be less space relatively given to parks than any other metropolis in the world, it results that birds find it convenient to build their nests and make their homes in many queer places. By instinct birds seek the highest buildings, that they may be as distant as possible from the dust and noise of human traffic. In the shelter of the arm of the figure of Justice, recently removed from the city hall cupola, birds have for a number of years made their nests. The top of the tall Corinthian pillar of the county court-house is a safe refuge of English sparrows, and the nests remain undisturbed from year to year. Church steeples are invariably haunted by sparrows. The nooks and crannies in those elevated strctures offer the safest refuge for the rearing of bird families. A strange resting place for a bird's nest are the crevices in the dead wall of a brick building, left by the builder for the reception of a joist in an adjacent building to be erected in the future. In the upper part of the city many buildings may be seen tenanted on the outside by birds. English sparrows don't care in how noisy a place their nests are built. They seem to like to live in railway stations. In the Grand Central Depot not long ago a pair of sparrows built their nest exactly over the place where the locomotives stop and belch forth their smoke. One of the employes abstracted the eggs from the nest and replaced them by canaries' eggs, with the result that the canaries were hatched.

Birds which build nests in porches of city houses are not usually welcome, but it is difficult to drive them away. When they disappear in one season they are pretty sure to return the next year. A lady up town has a front yard filled with shrubbery, and year after year the same sparrows persisted in returning to a tall shrub near the porch. To drive the birds away the lady placed under the eaves of the porch some asafœtida. For several days the bird and her mate were observed to be very busy, and it was soon discovered that they had moved their nest, twig by twig, to the opposite side of the portico. Then the lady gave up the contest, and she now feeds the birds daily.

A Darnery and Mendery.

Upon reading an article in your paper, writes Miss Martha Cosgrove to a Chicago journal, to the effect that an establishment where darning and mending could be done at reasonable rates would be a benefit to all concerned, I determined to open one in Chicago. I am a hard-working girl, and can give any number of references as to character, etc. My plan would be to charge ten cents per pair for darning stockings, then ten cents per dozen for sewing on buttons, and other work on the same scale. I would furnish all material for darning, etc., take all orders and claim one-half price paid for all work done. Material would amount to about three cents, leaving me two cents for profit after rent and other expenses were paid. Five cents per pair for darning stocking would pay sewing-girls far better than they are paid now, and the work is much easier and pleasanter. I would have desk-room in a central part of the city, and feel sure that with a little public notice I would be successful.

Oil Upon Troubled Waters.

During one of the storms happening lately experiments upon the uses of oil in an agitated sea were made at Dunker, in France. A small boat with oil sacks attached in front was sent out. The oil oozing out of the small holes in the sacks subdued the waves, and the seamen in the boat, who in such weather would, without the oil, have been drenched, were perfectly dry when they came back.

An Electric Fishing-Line.

A citizen of Dallas, Tex., has invented an electric fishing-line which kills a fish the instant it seizes the hook, and at the same time rings a bell on shore to warn the slumbering fisherman.

BOARDING-HOUSE CHAT.

Why Some Otherwise Harmless People Are Objectionable Boarders.

"We never board people who write. No objection to you, personally, but can not take you."

The speaker was a stout woman, the proprietress of a boarding-house on the West side. The applicant was a New York *Mail and Express* reporter. After reflecting a moment he asked her why she objected to writers.

"They always have something to say at the table and generally at the expense of the food. My boarders would soon become demoralized. I had one of your set, a young fellow who wrote rhymes. After the last one he wrote I gave him notice to leave. It was this slander:

Oh, if you want to feel
Like a salt and peppered eel,
Or a clam in a butter tub,
Just tackle Mrs. Blank's best grub.

"He did not get a chance to tackle any more of my grub."

A landlady near Madison Square, who has four or five boarding-houses and has been in the business twenty years, gave some interesting information on the subject. She said: "The most objectionable boarder is the one who finds fault at the table. It becomes contagious and finally I begin to lose my boarders. If these precious high-palate epicures would only communicate with the head of the house without raising a row at the table, there would be some excuse. Well, I do not let the cobwebs grow upon their stay, but get them out of the house at once. I always give a week's notice to leave in ordinary cases, and nine cases out of ten the person either has pride enough or gets angry and leaves immediately. In cases of improper conduct I give only a few hours' notice. If I could write a book it would be on rules to guide boarders. The men, old as well as young, are too prone to flirt with the waitresses if they are good looking. Homely servant girls are in demand."

"You must have had some queer experiences?"

"I have; and some of the incidents that have occurred in my boarding-houses would make romantic reading. One of the most polished bank burglars in the profession boarded with me three months. We thought he was very pious. He always had plenty of money, gave good references when he came to board—though I afterward learned these were forgeries—and soon became a favorite with the young ladies in the house. He finally married a young and beautiful girl. He professed to be a commercial traveler. He was frequently absent two or three weeks from his wife, and during that time she never received more than two letters. When he departed he never permitted his wife to assist him in packing his valise. He said it was his humor to pack his valise, because women were forgetful. One day he went on one of his usual trips, saying he would return in two weeks. Two weeks passed, and two months, and he did not return or write to the almost distracted wife. He had often told her never to go down town to the business house and bother his employers when he was absent. She had never even gone to his place of business when he was at home. Disregarding his injunction in her alarm about his absence, she went to the firm and found that no such man as her husband had ever been connected with the house. She then consulted the police, and found that over a month after her husband left her he was captured and convicted of robbing a bank, and was then in Sing Sing serving a ten years' sentence. Did she pine and die? No. She procured a divorce, and married again. Her present husband is wealthy, and he idolizes his pretty wife. He knows, too, his wife's history. They move in good circles."

LOUISIANA LEPERS.

Unfortunate Sufferers Who, Though Alive, Are Dead to Mankind.

What was once known as "Lepers' Land," on St. John's bayou, is now built up with pretty houses. It gained its name from the fact that when Spain ruled the land Governor Miro founded a hospital on this spot. Rebecca Harding Davis, who is now traveling in the Arcadian country, writes on the subject of the Louisiana lepers in *Harper's*, from information gained from the parish priest.

The dreadful disease first made its appearance twenty years ago in Abbeville. The first attacked was an old Creole lady, her father having probably brought the tainted blood from France. When the white scales appeared upon her face her family all fled away from her in terror, even her husband.

A young woman nursed her for three years, until the old woman died at last. A few years afterward she married a young farmer and lived happily with him in a little cabin on the edge of the swamp. One day a shining white spot appeared on her forehead. In four years she was dead.

There is no cure. The tainted families can only go off to some secluded spot in the wilderness and wait their summons. The real "Land of the Lepers," as it is called in French, is situated on the lower Lafourche, below Harang's canal.

The bayou there is turbid and foul; it flows through malarious swamps lower than itself. The Creole planters there are honest and temperate folk, but they are wretchedly poor. They raise only rice, and live on it and fish. The wet rice fields come up to the very doors of their cabins. The leprosy which certain families among them have inherited is developed by these conditions. Five years ago Prof. Joseph Jones, president of the State Board of Health, went himself with his son to explore the cypress swamps and lagoons of the lower Lafourche. It is the region of the shadow of death. He found many poor lepers hiding there. They were as dead men who walk and talk. They could handle burning coals; they felt no longer cold, nor heat nor pain. Their bodies were as corpses. One man lived alone in a hut, thatched with palmettoes, which he had built for himself, eating only the rice which he had planted. No man nor woman had come near him for years.

A Miraculous Escape.

A most exciting scene occurred the other day near Toulouse, France. The female guard at a place where the railroad crosses a highway, hearing the express coming, emerged from her house and saw her child, three years old, struggling to get his knee out from between the rails, which held it tight. She ran to the child, but could not get him away. A man coming along, she left him to pull the child out, and ran to open the gate and give signs to the engineer to stop the train. He saw her, and immediately slackened speed, but failed to reverse the locomotive quick enough. The man, being unable to get the little one out, left the child upon the rails, when the locomotive was within a few feet of him. The cowcatcher seized the child, threw it about twenty feet forward, and it came to the ground with nothing but a few contusions.

NOTED COLORED WOMEN.

Afro-American Ladies Who Enjoy a National Reputation.

Mr. T. Thomas Fortune is one of the ablest and best-known colored men in the country. He is a man of thirty-five or thereabouts, with a keen intellectual face and a quick interest in every thing that concerns the future of the colored people of America.

"Tell me something," Mr. Fortune was asked a few days since by a correspondent of the Minneapolis *Tribune*, "about the women of your race who have done the most for it and for themselves."

"Colored women have hardly had opportunity to do much that is sensational," he replied. "They haven't had time. But still there are several who are prominent among their own people and who have earned a solid reputation. Take Washington, for instance. Colored women of the best class there don't take much to marrying. They get along better than the men and usually devote themselves earnestly to their work and succeed well in it. The most prominent colored women in Washington in the best sense of the word are the teachers—such women as Miss M. B. Briggs, professor of English in Howard University, a most talented lady, or Josephine J. Turpin, of the same school, who is a frequent contributor to papers, or Lucy Moulton, who is the efficient principal of a big training school, or Mary Nalle or Marian Shadd—all highly-cultured women, respected and esteemed by those who know them.

"In Philadelphia there is the skillful woman physician, Dr. Caroline V. Anderson. She is the daughter of William Still, a wealthy colored merchant and one of the directors of the underground railroad, of which he has written the history. His daughter is a regular graduate of the medical department of Howard University, and enjoys a big practice. Philadelphia is the home of numberless other women of character and ability. There is Mrs. Fanny Jackson Coppin, the lecturer, who devotes most of her time to the institute for colored youth there, and Mrs. Gertrude Moselle, who used to conduct the woman's department on the New York *Freeman*, and who has written for the Philadelphia *Times* and the Philadelphia *Press*, as well as for papers published in the interest of the negro race. Mrs. Moselle is a member of the Woman's National Press Association, the only member of her race. Mrs. Frances E. Harper, the temperance lecturer and writer, has lived much in Philadelphia also.

"In Boston one of the best-known colored women is a modiste, whose eye for effects in fabric, form and color has made her rich.

"Other colored women who have a wider reputation than any of these are Marie Selika, the prima donna soprano, who was born in Natchez and whose voice is of such sweetness, purity and compass that musical critics have called her second only to Patti. Mme. Selika has taken Gerster's place in concert in Boston and has sung before the crowned heads of Europe.

"Mme. Nellie Brown Mitchell is another musician with a mechanical turn of mind. She has invented and patented two or three appliances now in common use by musical instructors. Equally well known in another branch of the fine arts is Edmonia Lewis, the sculptor. She is an Afro-Indian, and was born in New York State, but now has her studio in Rome, where she has plenty of commissions and has done some fine work. 'The Old Arrowmaker and His Daughter' is one of her best-known productions and is owned in England.

"Ida B. Wells—'Ida'—whose suit for damages under Mississippi laws for being forcibly thrust out of a passenger car in Memphis by three or four white men brought her before the public a few years ago, is probably the best known of colored women journalists, and Miss M. E. Lambert, of Detroit, is a poetess of genius. The wife of Rev. Frank Grimke, of Jacksonville, Fla., formerly a Miss Forten, of Philadelphia, is a young woman, but already widely known."

Mr. Fortune told me that Philadelphia and Boston are the cities where one may see his race at its best. This may be partly because the old Abolition leaven in Boston and the Quaker anti-slavery sentiment in Philadelphia attracted from the first the most intelligent and progressive colored people, and this early influence is still a determining factor. It might possibly happen in another city than Boston that a young white girl, beautiful, of the best family and a college graduate, would marry a young colored man with no money or position, and nothing but intelligence and good breeding to recommend him, but in few other cities would such a match meet even the qualified approval on the part of friends and society in general that was given it in a certain Hub instance I have in mind.

I asked Mr. Fortune if he knew any colored women who were reputed wealthy, but he did not seem especially interested in that branch of the subject, and I respected his reticence. It would not be difficult, however, to pick out a dozen colored women in the country whose property in the aggregate might be expressed, "on information and belief," by seven figures. In such a list would come the Gloucesters, the rich boarding house keepers of Brooklyn; Miss Amanda Eubanks, of Rome, Ga., whose white father left her $100,000; Mrs. Mary A. Wilson, a wealthy Florida woman; Mrs. Mary Pleasants, of San Francisco, who holds something more than $75,000 in Government bonds, owns a ranch and has some city real estate; Mrs. James Thomas, of St. Louis, who is worth something like $30,000, and whose barber shop, the "Lindell," is the most luxurious in the country, and Mrs. Catherine Blake, who owns the Kenmore Hotel at Albany is reputed worth $150,000. Miss Drake, a young colored woman of Nash, N. C., has taken the prize for the best production of cotton at all the State fairs, and other Afro-American women are doing solid industrial work.

There are two colored women in the ranks of the law, Miss Florence Ray, of Brooklyn, and Mrs. M. S. Cary, of Washington. There is at least one colored minister, the Rev. Mrs. Freeman, of Providence. There has been one woman at the head of a newspaper published in the interest of Afro-Americans, Miss Carrie Bragg, who for some time edited the *Lancet* at Petersburg, Va.

Boys Who Use Tobacco.

Rev. H. E. Fosts, of Bath, Me., who [illegible] against tobacco, has collected some interesting statistics. He says that in Bath alone $100,000 is spent each year for tobacco; that of 71 boys in one grammar school, 40 had used tobacco; that in a smaller school 15 of the 33 boys were similarly depraved; that among 230 other grammar school boys were 119 who had learned to chew or smoke or both, and that in one primary class of 24, 8 little fellows just out of dresses, were as unlike little Robert Reed as possible, and used the filthy weed.

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BY THE WAY.

—Democratic City Convention tonight.

—Perseverance Lodge, K. of P., of this city have taken the necessary legal steps looking to the incorporation of that organization.

—It is said that the total receipts to the "public subscription" yesterday, amounted to two cents. This was made by a subscriber who ordered his paper discontinued.

—Services to-morrow at Trinity Reformed church 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. In the morning the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated. In the evening the pastor's subject will be "*In* but not *Of*."

—Services in the Park Avenue Baptist church to-morrow. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Asa Reed Dilts, at 10.30 a. m. and 7.45 p. m. The subject of the morning sermon will be "The Lord's Supper"; that of the evening "Belshazzar's Feast."

—Michael Sweeney appeared before the City Judge this morning to answer a charge of disorderly conduct preferred by "Doc" Vincent of North avenue. He was sentenced to pay a fine of $15 or be committed for 30 days. The defendant will appeal the case.

—"Are you pilgrims and strangers, or fellow citizens with the Saints." Dr. Talmage's large congregation assembled in the great tabernacle last evening and listened attentively to Mr. Noah W. Pike of this city, while he addressed them upon this interesting subject.

—Hulled-corn and milk will be one of the novelties of the supper at the "Dairymaid's Festival" to be given by the Girls' Mission Band of the Congregational church in the Y rooms at 55 East Front street, next Monday evening. There will be also refreshments and fancy articles of various kinds on sale.

—Those young men who are not already members of the Worker's Training Class of the Y. M. C. A., but who are willing to "Study to show themselves approved unto God," workmen that need not to be ashamed, should arrange to be present at the Class to-morrow morning at nine o'clock, and there obtain any information desired.

—At Music Hall on Monday evening will be presented Lester Wallack's great success, the grand military drama, entitled "Ours." The Kemble Dramatic Association of Brooklyn, will present the play in all its original effects, and under the personal management of Mr. A. C. Munn. Popular prices prevail. Seats now on sale at the usual places.

—Plainfield Division, No. 223, S. of T., was visited last evening by a large delegation from "Welcome" and "Stett" Divisions of New Brunswick. Rev. A. G. Van Aiken, G. W. P., was present, and with a number of other representatives made interesting addresses, highly complimenting the new division on its progress. Frank Campbell, the caterer of Front street, provided the repast, which was highly enjoyed.

—Some sheet in town suggests that $500 of the "public subscription" be given to Mrs. John M. Jackson, wife of the self-convicted firebug. Mrs. Jackson informs us that she recently asked the editor of the sheet to insert, free, an advertisement in his paper, that would aid her to secure some button-hole work, while she was in her present delicate condition, which he refused to do. Charity is a jewel—it also covers a multitude of sins.

—To-morrow (Sunday) morning Rev. Dr. Hurlbut will commence a series of "talks" on the "Life of John Wesley," at the meeting of the "Oxford League" of the M. E. church. All the young people of the church would do well to attend these meetings, as they are highly interesting and instructive, and are calculated to prepare them for active work in the church. The League holds its meetings Sunday morning in the parlors of the church at 9.50 o'clock.

—A few days ago as the horse belonging to Mr. Chas. H. Randolph, the miller, was taking his regular noon-day feed from a measure on the top of a barrel, the horse became frightened by the measure falling off the barrel, and started to run away. Mr. Randolph started to catch the horse, and in so doing fell, the wagon passing over one of his legs bruising it somewhat. The horse, however, was caught. "Charley" says the horse did not run, but merely walked away. Why is this thus?

Takes All The Blame.

Thomas Conway is one of the six held in bail to await action of the Grand Jury of Middlesex Co., for assault upon Thos G. Nowland, a non-union plumber in the employ of Mr. D. W. Littell of this city. The act was committed on Sunday, Nov. 6, when on Park avenue, just across the county line, Nowland charges he was set upon by six men—whose names were given in THE PRESS of Tuesday—and severely beaten. Conway, however, desires us to state he was the only one who struck the man. He publicly assumes all blame for the assault and battery. He also wishes it known that he is a "Union man."

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

THE SECRET OF THE RECOUNT.

A Political Heeler Demands Pay For Votes it is Claimed Were Not Delivered.

ELIZABETH, Dec. 3—Many of those who should know, because they are of the inner-brotherhood of Union County politics, hold that the recount that has been ordered was not applied for with any expectation of a different result in the County Clerk election. The better posted of both parties agree that Crowell is certainly elected, and the Democrats claim that his plurality will be increased by the recount—at least twelve being added because of six votes belonging to Crowell in Springfield that were credited through carelessness to Oliver.

One reason for the expenditure of $150 by the Republican candidate for a recount, is said to be this: A *fac simile* of the very peculiar ticket adopted by the Democrats of Elizabeth, was got up during the night before election, on which were the full list of Democratic City nominees but which also contained the names of the Republican candidates for the County offices. A certain "worker" was to receive a certain price for "influencing" a certain number of these ballots, at the poll of the first district of the third ward. The make-up of the ballot, however, was discovered early in the day and the plans and expectations of this worker, it is said, did not connect. He demands his pay just the same, claiming that the bargain on his part was fulfilled. So here is where the milk in the cocoanut is accounted for. The opening of the ballot-box of the first district of the third ward of Elizabeth, and a review of its contents, can alone decide the falsity or justice of the claim for Democratic votes delivered to the other side for its County candidates. Mr. Oliver's friends state that only six of such ballots were found in that box on election night.

A Misled Metropolitan Daily.

The New York *Tribune* must be working that "recipe how to run a newspaper for a dollar." It states this morning that "Chief Dodd says he will not accept the position" as Union County Jail Warden. But the fact is Chief Dodd never said anything of the kind, and will accept though much to Plainfield's regret.

The *Tribune* is also in error in stating "the people are indignant at the attacks on Detective Murphy." There have been no "attacks" on Mr. Murphy. If he is a detective his methods are very skillful and deceiving, and he should not be ashamed of their publication. They are part of his profession. As to his reward—THE PRESS stated, last Tuesday, these facts:

> His Honor, Mayor Male, tells us that the matter of payment for the work done in the apprehension, arrest and conviction of the firebugs, is in the hands of a committee acting for the purpose. They will meet soon and something proper will result from their good judgment. He expresses himself, consequently, against the solicitation of a reward in any public way.
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> The community's good taste and sense of justice will be shown to entirely accord with the Mayor's. Detective Murphy will receive his reward through the proper channel.

Almost a Conflagration.

The dwelling house belonging to Mr. William McCutchen at the corner of Central avenue and Sixth street, had a narrow escape from total destruction on Thursday forenoon. The place is occupied by the family of Mr. William Graydon. Some of the female inmates of the house discovered a fire burning under the grate in the sitting-room, and at once summoned some workmen from ex-Councilman Thompson's residence on the opposite side of the street. The men fought the flames and succeeded in extinguishing them with considerable difficulty. An investigation showed that the heavy wooden beam running under the grate had burned away, and the fire was making rapid progress when discovered. No general alarm was sent out. The fire was in many respects similar to that which almost totally destroyed Mrs. A. Saltzman's house on Central avenue a few weeks ago. The damage will amount to about $50.

Who Will Be Chief?

We mentioned yesterday that Officer Grant was in the line of promotion, and that ex-Councilman Ryder was a candidate, for the office of Chief of Police of Plainfield, left vacant by the appointment of Charles W. Dodd as the Warden of the Union County Jail.

Today we are anxious to present a name that deserves nomination by His Honor, the Mayor, and unanimous confirmation by the Common Council. Mr. Tunis J. Carey has contributed time and money successfully in the cause of capturing and convicting the firebugs. His personal efforts have proven him especially fitted for such an office as Chief of Police.

—A change of advertisement for Adams, the Park avenue wall paper dealer, etc., will appear in Monday's PRESS.

COUNCILMANIC CANDIDATES.

MR. G. WARREN WATSON, the Democratic candidate for Councilman in the 1st ward, is a young man of excellent business qualifications. He has been a resident of Plainfield for the past four years, and has the interest and prosperity of our fair city at heart. He comes from fine old Scotch ancestry, and has a good share of this world's goods. He has all the capability and fitness necessary to fill the position for which he is nominated, and being extremely popular in his ward, should carry it by a handsome majority.

MR. WILTON RANDOLPH, who has been placed in nomination in the second ward, was mentioned for the honor by THE PRESS of Nov. 28. The *Central Times*, the Republican organ of this city, said last week:

> "The Democrats, we understand, propose to nominate Wilton Randolph, of Netherwood, for Councilman. Mr. Randolph is of the old Virginia family of Roanoke. There can be no question as to Mr. Randolph's ability to discharge the duties of that office, if he could be elected. We always like to see a party nominate a good man even if it is in a minority."

MR. RANDOLPH is one of the counselors of the largest monied incorporation in the World—the Mutual Life Ins. Co. of New York. He is also a specially able speaker, and one of the most popular members of the Royal Arcanum.

The invincible third ward has this time given its complimentary nomination to MR. ROSCOE H. CHANNING. As its vote stands today in the vicinity of 215 to 40 in favor of the Republican candidate, MR. MARSH, the third ward is beyond the hope of MR. CHANNING'S Democratic supporters. Had he been nominated as a candidate at large, he would come nearer the success he deserves. MR. CHANNING is also an Attorney and Counsellor at Law, and a gentleman of high breeding and culture.

MR. ELMORE D. MOFFETT, the Democratic candidate in the fourth ward, is so well and favorably known after a life-long residence in this city, that any introduction and praise by us is unnecessary. For many years he has filled most ably the position of Recorder at the County Clerk's office, and the many who have had official business there can testify to his uniform courtesy and efficiency.

One of the Finest.

It is difficult to conceive that the cast of "Jim the Penman," as presented at Music Hall last evening, can be in any material respect inferior to the one which played in New York. Ada Dyas is an actress of exceeding grace and refinement as is evinced by her able rendition of last evening. Mr. Joseph Whiting, who played "Jim the Penman," was in every way adapted to a vigorous, finished and intellectual performance of the role. W. J. Ferguson, to whom was entrusted the important light comedy characterization of "Captain Redwood," has before created and been highly successful in three of the best parts ever written, namely: "Phipps," in "The Banker's Daughter;" "Pittacus Green" in "Hazel Kirke," and "Macari" in "Called Back." H. M. Pitt has never done anything but good work. The minor parts were in the hands of such people as Lysander Thompson, Junius B. Booth, Jennie Eustace, Evelyn Campbell and S. Miller Kent, the last two youthful and handsome, affording an interesting and charming love interest, which ran like a "silver line" through the warp of criminal machinations so deftly woven by the "Penman" and his clever co-workers. The acting of Miss Jennie Eustace, as "Lady Dunscombe" was a very perfect feature of the performance. This lady who is well known to some of Plainfield's best people is an understudy of Miss Dyas and has frequently acted in the leading role and with great success. At Elmira, N. Y., she played *Nina*, (the part taken by Miss Dyas last evening) and was recalled five times at the end of the third act. Her voice and presence are extremely noticeable, even in a company like that of the Madison Square.

An Explanation and Correction.

To the Editor of THE PRESS:—In regard to the sale of Music Hall tickets—to which allusion was made in THE PRESS of Thursday—permit me to say that Mr. Shaw and Mr. Reynolds declined to compete for the sale of tickets, or to proffer bids therefor.

Very respectfully,
H. P. REYNOLDS.

[We gladly publish this explanation of Mr. Reynolds' for the satisfaction of what will be a curious public when the change is first instituted. But if the writer means to intimate that THE PRESS stated he and Mr. Shaw were unsuccessful bidders, an injustice is done us. The *Evening* * * * * said: "The bids of Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Shaw were not high enough to suit the management, and the coming year's contract goes to the two highest bidders." Such inaccuracy we leave for others. We are not built that way.—ED.

—In the Trinity Reformed church this evening, will occur the annual meeting of the Children's Home Association. The exercises will be of an interesting nature and many will doubtless be present on this occasion.

Democratic Primaries.

The Democratic voters in the Third and Fourth wards of the city held their primaries in the Democratic Association rooms last evening. The Third ward primary was called to order by Mr. Auguste Saltzman as Chairman of the last convention. Mr. James Clark was chosen Chairman of the meeting and Mr. A. saltzman Secretary. Levi C. Kine was elected Judge, and the Secretary acted in the capacity of Inspector. There was no opposition offered to any of the candidates and all were unanimously declared the nominees of the meeting. Following are the nominations made:

For Councilman—Roscoe H. Channing.
Constable—Hugh McDonald.
Justice of the Peace—Levi C. Kline.
Judge of Election—Stewart Milliken.
Inspector—Auguste Saltzman.
Clerk—Wm. Rankin.
Delegates to City Convention—James Clark, Auguste Saltzman, Levi C. Kline.

The delegates were, upon motion, given power to fill all vacancies.

FOURTH WARD.

In this ward the meeting was called to order at 8 p. m. The attendance was large, and the meeting was harmonious in every particular. Vincent L. Frazee called the meeting to order. Judge Nathan Harper was elected Chairman; Vincent L. Frazee, Secretary; Joseph F. Sheppard, Judge, and Julian Scott and James Conneely, Inspectors. It was thought by some that several names would be presented for Councilman from that ward, but the only one advanced was that of Mr. Elmore D. Moffett, and he was unanimously declared the nominee from the Fourth ward. For the office of Constable there were two candidates, namely: W. S. Sliter and Jeremiah M. Compton. A ballot resulted in favor of Mr. Compton, he having received 25 votes to his competitor's 10. The other ward officers nominated are:

Justices of the Peace—Levi Hetfield, A. G. Fine.
Judge of Election—V. L. Frazee.
Inspector—Peter Flynn, Jr.
Clerk—John F. Casey.
Delegates to City Convention—P. Casey, Thos. Clacy, P. Flynn, Jr., Bernard Brady, W. H. Warner, E. D. Moffett, Julian Scott, James Conneely, Joseph Sullivan, J. F. Sheppard.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Sheppard, Scott and Conneely as a committee to fill all vacancies. Before adjournment was made, spirited addresses were made by Judge Harper, Elmore D. Moffett the nominee for Councilman, and Julian Scott. The meeting then adjourned.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mrs. Frank Wood of Ninth street, near Broadway, has issued cards for a "Tea" on Thursday, 8th instant.

Gov. and Mrs. Robert S. Green have issued cards for two receptions, to be given at their home in Elizabeth, on Dec. 8th and 15th.

Rev. Dr. K. P. Ketcham, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, is the speaker announced to address the Reform Club meeting to-morrow evening.

Mr. Thomas Callahan has purchased the plot of ground on the North-east corner of Third and Richmond streets, whereon, it is said, he intends to erect a building for business purposes.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schermerhorn of North avenue, will leave, on the 12th instant, to spend a few weeks and eat Christmas dinner with their son, Charles, who is located at Vicksburgh, Miss.

Rev. Dr. Taylor will conduct service in the Church of the Heavenly Rest to-morrow at 11 a. m. In the evening at 7:30 o'clock he will officiate in St. John's church, Elizabeth. The usual afternoon service at Dunellen will be omitted to-morrow, but will be resumed on Sunday, the 11th instant, at 3:30 p. m.

Corporation Counsel Craig A. Marsh declines to be put in the light of receiving contributions from the public. He was engaged by wealthy citizens as assistant counsel for the State in the firebug cases, after first obtaining consent of Prosecutor Wilson. His clients are hardly under the necessity of passing the contribution plate.

At the residence of her daughter, No. 33 Sutton Place, New York, yesterday, Mrs. Julia A. Arnold, widow of the late David P. Arnold, died, after a short illness from paralysis. The deceased passed the alloted time of three score years and ten. She was the mother of ex-Councilman James K. Arnold of North Plainfield and of William F. Arnold, assistant cashier in the City National Bank in this city. Besides the children above named, eight others survive her. She was for many years a resident of this city, occupying the house at the corner of Seventh and Union streets. Latterly she has been visiting among her children. Interment will be made in Greenwood, probably on Monday.

—Two handsome residences are being erected on the plot of ground adjoining the property of Mr. James Burdick on East Third street.

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING.

The Office of Deputy Marshal Declared Vacant—Street Lighting Considered—Adjournment for One Week.

The December meeting of the Borough Council was held last evening, all the members being present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, and a petition from Messrs. S. A. Potter, M. S. Taylor and others, asking for a sidewalk on the Northerly side of Rockview avenue, between Washington avenue and Grove street, was referred to Street Committee. The license applications of Wm. Trembly and Gately & Williams, the former for carting and the latter for peddling, were presented, referred and subsequently granted. Claims were presented and referred as follows: J. H. Jackson, $75; Geo. P. Becker, $37.50; John A. Thickstun, $25; Thos. J. Young, $39.60; *Unionist-Gazette*, $23,98.

The Clerk's monthly report was read, received and ordered on file. It showed a balance of $97.98 on hand at time of making last report; $7.50 was collected during the month for licenses, making a total of $105.48. During the month the disbursements amounted to $37.50, leaving a balance on hand of $67.98.

The collector's monthly statement of taxes collected was received and filed. It was as follows:

To the Hon. the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Plainfield:

GENTLEMEN:—Herewith annexed please find statement of Borough taxes received since last report April 1st, 1887.

Total amount for 1886 at that date	$2,519.48
April 1st to date Road $5.59; Borough 3.87	9.46
	$2,529.94
Amount collected for 1887 to date, Road, $181.15; Borough, $135 85	$317.00

Respectfully submitted.
H. N. SPENCER, Collector.

Mr. Slater from the Auditing Committee returned with the Committee's approval and recommendation to pay, the bill of Thos. J. Young, presented at a former meeting. The claim was for laying sidewalk and was ordered paid from the Borough fund, the amount to be assessed by the Assessor, and collected, by tax, from the persons in front of whose property the walks were laid.

The same Councilman returned as correct the above bills of Messrs. Jackson, Young and Becker, which were presented during the evening and recommended that they be paid from the Borough fund. The recommendation was adopted. The bill of John A. Thickstun was ordered paid from the Road fund, and the claim of the *Unionist-Gazette* for printing Board of Health notices was ordered paid from the Borough fund when signed by the President of the Board, accompanied by the attest of the Secretary, proving the correctness of the same.

Mr. McGee, from the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee made a report on the matter of street lighting. He said, in the opinion of the Committee, from 175 to 190 incandescent lamps would be required to properly light North Plainfield; 50 arc lamps would sufficiently light the same territory; the Committee had come to the conclusion that electricity was preferable to any other means for lighting. Bids had been solicited and in almost all instances the Committee had met a ready response; the Plainfield Electric Light Company, however, he said, had refused to make a bid at present unless stock in the Company, to the extent of $5,000 was subscribed. Mr. McGee on behalf of the Committee he represented asked for immediate action.

Mr. McCutchen, from the Laws, Ordinance and Election Committee, spoke on the matter of paying ex-clerk Wm. E. Mattison an old bill for one-half month's salary, as clerk. He was of the opinion that the bill should not be allowed, claiming that the services rendered were within the year for which he was compensated. The report was received and filed.

Mr. Milne from the Street Committee made a report of the work done on the streets during the month; gutters had been cleaned and scraped, and the work on upper Somerset street has been completed; other work of a similar nature has been abandoned on account of frost; sidewalks have been laid under the supervision of the Street Committee; the committee has been petitioned to repair a portion of Washington avenue, near the bridge, but the present financial condition is all that prevents such work from being done; the Committee asked for a temporary loan of $25 from the Borough fund, to complete such work. The financial report of the Committee showed a balance of $3.82 to the credit of the Road fund, and the total Borough indebtedness for street work $86.04.

Mr. McCutchen moved to ratify the action of the Mayor and Clerk in drawing on the unexpended road money in the hands of the Township Collector. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Milne alluded to the resolution passed at the July meeting authorizing the appointment of one or more special marshals in case of emergency. He offered a resolution in effect that on and after this date the office of Deputy Marshal be declared vacant, and that Henry A. Sterling, the present incumbent, deliver up his badge of office. The resolution was adopted.

Bids were then opened from the various companies for street lighting. The Plainfield Gas Company offered to furnish 100 or more gas lamps to burn on an average of 20 nights each month for $15 per lamp per annum. H. W. Pope, representing the Schuyler Electric Light Company bid on a three year's contract, agreeing to furnish 50 arc lamps to burn from sunset to two a. m. for $120 per lamp per annum; or to burn from sunset to sunrise for $135 per lamp per annum. The company was not prepared to bid for incandescent lighting. The N. Y. and N. J. Globe Gas Light Company offered to light 175 or more of their standard Philadelphia lamps, iron posts, all night at the rate of $18.25 for one year contract and $17.50 for three year contract per lamp, payments to be made monthly. The Company also agreed to sell the posts to the Borough at any time at current market rates, and to have the lights burning within 30 days after signing the contract. The subject brought forth considerable discussion. Mr. Slater was in favor of light, but he also considered the ways and means for obtaining lights was one of the most essential things to be considered. Mr. McCutchen did not see how the Borough could get along without light, and he was of the opinion that the cost of street lighting could be assessed and collected outside of the regular tax levy. He thought it advisable to have the Corporation Counsel's opinion. He made a motion which prevailed, that when the meeting adjourn it be to meet again in one week, and that the Corporation Counsel be requested to present at that time a formal resolution, covering all the suggestions made, so that some action may then be taken to bring about speedy street lighting.

Mr. Milne asked for the reading of the resolution authorizing the Thompson-Houston Electric Light Company to erect poles and string wires in the Borough. The petition of the company asking for permission to erect and maintain a current in North Plainfield was also read. Mr. Slater said he thought the company was entitled to no more consideration from the Council The company had been asked to make a bid for street lighting, but had absolutely refused to do it. Mr. Milne made a motion to refer the matter to the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee, they to consult with the Corporation Counsel in regard to what measures are to be taken to compel the company to remove the poles, wires, etc., from the Borough, and to report at the adjourned meeting. The motion prevailed, and the meeting adjourned.

A Promising Enterprise.

Articles of incorporation of the Highland Beach Improvement Company, with a capital of $100,000, have just been filed at Trenton, N. J. The incorporators are Ferdinand Fish, the New York real estate agent, and son-in-law of the late James M. Taylor of this city; J. C. Davis and W. S. Lowry, son of the Rev. Robt. Lowry. The object is stated to be to purchase and improve land and erect buildings at Highland Beach, in the vicinity of Sandy Hook, on the New Jersey coast, with a view to establishing a new day Summer excursion resort. Inquiry at Mr. Fish's office, 149 Broadway, has developed the fact that quite an extensive undertaking is contemplated. In fact work has begun and Highland Beach is to be formally opened next season. About a half-mile frontage on the Ocean and Shrewsbury River has been secured. The land is to be widened, graded and improved. Many buildings are to be erected, including a new railroad station, a large bathing pavilion, a restaurant building, boat house, stables, stores, cottages, pagodas for lunch parties, etc. Several novel features are to be introduced, particulars of which are refused at present. It is claimed that Highland Beach has unequalled natural advantages over any resort contiguous to New York, not the least of which is the means of access by way of the Sandy Hook route, which affords a charming sail through New York harbor. It is believed that the addition of the many artificial attractions proposed will make the undertaking an instantaneous success.

Aid For Mrs. Jackson.

In addition to the help and support given Mrs. Estelle Jackson as published in THE PRESS of yesterday, the following is the cash received up to today:

Rev. J. B. Cleaver	$5.00
Mrs. Charles Schermerhorn	1.00
H. Weigmann	1.00
Cash	.5
Employees, PRESS office	5.00
Total,	$12.50

DUNELLEN.

Mrs. Charles Carpenter, wife of the courteous and jovial station agent, is enjoying herself for a few weeks with friends at Baltimore.

The many friends of Miss Lizzie Smalley will regret to learn that her health is on the decline. Dr. Fritts of Plainfield is attending her. Heart disease is said to be the cause of her illness.

MURDERERS PLAN ESCAPE

LYONS AND DRISCOLL ATTEMPT A JAIL DELIVERY.

The Discovery Made in the Cell Occupied By Driscoll While He is in Court and He is Given New Quarters.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—For the past three or four days trouble has been brewing among the occupants of murderers' row in the Tombs.

Three murderers under sentence of death are confined in this row. Danny Lyons, the murderer of Athlete Quinn, occupies the cell next to the office of the warden. In the next cell Adolph Reich awaits his doom and next to him in cell No. 5 Dan Driscoll, of Whyo fame, who murdered Beezie Garrity, spent his time until Recorder Smyth sentenced him yesterday.

For the past few months Driscoll has not been given the liberty afforded the other murderers, owing to his quarrelsome nature, and the close confinement has had the effect of irritating his savage nature to such an extent that he has several times uttered violent threats against Warden Walsh. Lyons and Reich sympathized with him in his alleged affliction, and finally on Tuesday, the three formed a plot and refused to eat the food furnished them, claiming that it was not fit for dogs to eat.

This constant refusal of Driscoll and Lyons to eat aroused the suspicions of the warden, and when Driscoll was taken to court yesterday to receive sentence a thorough investigation disclosed a well-arranged plan to escape. The first thing to arouse suspicion in Driscoll's cell was a dirty piece of white muslin, which hung up in one end of the narrow window, covering a portion of the wall and the under part of the window casement.

When the cloth was removed it was found that the iron plate at the end of the casement had been broken out and the cloth put there to conceal the breakage. Further search resulted in the finding of the missing piece of iron in the bed clothes, together with an iron bar which had been sawed from the bedstead. The appearance of the edges of the bar showed that a saw had been used. This bar had been used to pry away the casement plate, and doubtless it had been the young desperado's plan to dig away the masonry where the iron plate had been until the aperture was large enough for him to crawl through.

Had his sentence been delayed a few days longer, he could easily have reached the pavement of the inner court, and with the assistance of pals, who, no doubt, are in the job, could have scaled the walls and made his escape. The warden and keepers believe that had any of them entered Driscoll's cell he would have brained them with the bar.

When these timely discoveries were made another cell, No. 6, was got in readiness for the sentenced man, and upon his arrival he was astonished beyond description to find that his plans had been discovered.

The resentencing of Daniel Driscoll, the Whyo king, for the murder of Beezie Garrity nearly two years ago, caused a crowd to gather in part II. of the court of general sessions yesterday morning, the majority of whom were former pals and admirers.

Driscoll was led into the court room heavily ironed, not, however, until the majority of the Whyo audience had been turned into the hall. When his name was called by Clerk Sparks he was led to the bar by two stalwart officers and back of him stood several deputy sheriffs. The irons were not removed from his wrists until he was ordered to stand up for sentence, which was fixed for Friday, Jan. 20.

LOCOMOTIVE BOILER EXPLODES.

Three Killed Outright and Two Likely Fatally Injured.

TAMAQUA, Pa., Dec. 3.—Yesterday morning the boiler of freight engine No. 253 of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad exploded at Haak's switch, eight miles west of this place. At the time the explosion occurred five of the crew of six men were on the engine, having gone there to get warm. Three of them were instantly killed and the other two were so badly injured that it is hardly possible that they can recover. Their names are Alexander Walker, engineer, killed; Albert Guldner, brakeman, killed; Wallace Ettinger, brakeman, killed; Joseph Reifsnyder, fireman, seriously injured about the head and internally; David Pfieger, conductor, badly scalded and shoulder broken.

His Action Endorsed.

LOWELL, Mass., Dec. 3.—Benjamin F. Butler Grand Army Post 142 held a large meeting last Thursday night to take action regarding the case of Thomas Callan, arrested in London on suspicion of being engaged in a dynamite conspiracy. Commander Dimon reviewed the course he had taken in the matter, and read correspondence that has passed between himself, Mayor Abbott and Secretary Bayard. He also read the following despatch:

Mayor Abbott, Lowell, Mass.:

Have seen Callan Hawkins professionally in person. Am ready to defend them. Wire reply.

[Signed] — O'BRIEN, Solicitor,
Radcliff Gardens, London.

It was voted unanimously to endorse the action of Col. Dimon as that of the post.

Boss Shepherd's Bonanza.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 3.—The Batapilas mines of Gov. Shepherd, in Southwestern Chihuaha, have entirely recovered from the temporary depression under which they labored some six months ago, and are again a bonanza. During Gov. Shepherd's absence they are managed by Major William Shepherd, who personally conducts a bullion train every two weeks to Chihauha. Each train carries $60,000 worth of silver to the Chihauha mint, where it is converted into coin. About 2,000 persons are constantly employed at the mines.

Wants the Government to Reject a Claim.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 3.—*El Nacional*, the Clerical organ, is authority for the statement that Secretary Bayard has forwarded to the Mexican Government a claim for damages made by Editor Cutting, for his imprisonment by the Mexican authorities during the summer of 1886. The report is occasioning much gossip and is disbelieved by many. *El Nacional* urges the Government to reject the claim.

"Blinky" Morgan's Partner Found Guilty.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 3.—The second of the supposed murderers of Detective Hulligan, John Coughlin, was convicted of murder in the first degree yesterday afternoon at Ravenna. His counsel and friends supposed that they had established an alibi beyond question. The jury were out an hour and a half.

Going to See the Kilrain-Smith Fight.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—James Wakely, George Engeman, Phil Reilly, Harry Williams and some others will sail on the Servia for England to witness the Kilrain-Smith fight, which is expected to come off on Jan. 3.

A POLICE JUSTICE ARRESTED.

On a Charge of Extorting Money from an Alleged Embezzler.

NEWARK, Dec. 3.—Justice Francis O. McKinney will be tried on Monday on a charge of extortion. Last July a young man named Sanford E. Ryman, of 180 Brunswick street, was employed by the Novelty Manufacturing company as collector. One day he was arrested at his home, accused of embezzling $102 of the concern's money. The warrant for his arrest was issued and served by Justice McKinney, who was accompanied by Special Officer Charles Geith.

Instead of taking the prisoner to his own office and committing him for trial, it is alleged that McKinney took Ryan to the office of the company's agent, L. G. Flury, at 63 Bank street. There a settlement of the case was arrived at by the payment of the sum which the young man had embezzled, Justice McKinney, it is charged, then demanded $25 for costs, which Ryan paid under protest.

After consulting a legal friend, Ryan went before Justice Rodrige and swore out a warrant for the arrest of McKinney on the ground of extortion. Yesterday afternoon the police justice was arrested at his office and taken before Rodige, where he gave bail to appear for trial next Monday.

BUD CITY HOLD THE FORT.

But Militia Wanted to Quell a Fight Over a County Seat.

TOPEKA, Dec. 3.—The people of Bud City, Cheyenne county, have requested the state officials to send militia to quiet the county seat fight now in progress. An election was held last week for the county seat, and it is claimed that Bud City got a majority of the votes. The county commissioners, who are residents of Wano, the opposing town, refused to canvass a part of the vote and declared in favor of Wano.

The Wano people then obtained 100 Winchester rifles, and on Tuesday proceeded to Bud City to take possession of the court house. The Bud City people, who were also armed, resisted and a conflict was begun, resulting in the wounding of three men.

Finally the Wano men were forced to return to their town, and Bud City still has possession of the county records.

Rumors About Boston's Aldermen.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—The rumor that prominent Republicans had applied to District-Attorney Stevens and Judge Parmenter for warrants for the arrest of four Boston Aldermen has again been renewed. District-Attorney Stevens knew nothing about such applications, neither could clerks of the Municipal Court throw any light upon the matter. Judge Parmenter said that no such application had ever been made to him, and he never had heard the matter spoken of.

Must Face the Music.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—Mrs. McDonald, the banker's wife, who gave $6,000 worth of diamonds to her lover, Seneca Augusta Swaim, an insurance agent, and other property, amounting in all to $20,000, has sued her father-in-law for $500,000 for alieniating the affections of her husband. The defense demurred, and tried to have the complaint dismissed, but the superior court has decided that the old man must stand trial.

Oarsman Beach Retires.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 3.—William Beach, the champion oarsman of the world, has formally resigned the championship and announced his retirement from future aquatic contests. The championship having again became an open question by the retirement of Beach, Hanlan has challenged Kemp for a match for possession of the title and its accompanying stakes and trophy.

A Test Case.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Mrs. Alfred W. Brooks, one of the eleven women who swore in their votes at the last election in Kattleville, this county, has been indicted. Hers will be a test case. Her husband and five other men are also indicted for urging on the women at the polls. It is probable that they will be arraigned at this term of supreme court.

A Noted Crook Arrested.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 3.—James Doyle, alias Keily, a New York burglar who has been doing some clever work in the way of housebreaking in this city for the past two months, was captured by the police yesterday. At police headquarters yesterday a crowd of victims were busily engaged in identifying stolen property.

He Obtained Money Under False Pretences.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 3.—E. S. Wheeler of New Haven has been bound over in the police court for trial before the superior court, on the charge of obtaining money under falsd pretenses from the Phœnix National bank of this city. Bonds of $5,000 were given by P. N. Welch of New Haven his brother-in-law.

Boodleism in Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 3.—The outcome of an investigation of Alderman Looney indicates the exposure of a huge boodler's ring in which several of the aldermen and city officials are concerned. It is charged that the mayor is also guilty of having a finger in the mess.

An Advance of Seven and a Half Cents.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 3.—Woodman, True & Co., dry goods dealers, of Portland, Maine offer their creditors 42½ cents on the dollar. This is an advance of 7½ cents on the offer recently submitted by the firm and it is expected that their creditors will accept the offer.

In Memory of Gen. Grant.

ALBANY, Dec. 3.—Superintendent of Public Buildings Andrews will suggest that the state place an appropriate bronze tablet in a niche where the body of Gen. U. S. Grant laid in state in the capitol corridor. The suggestion will be made to the next legislature.

The Veteran Superintendent Dying.

UTICA, Dec. 3.—Gen. Z. G. Priest, the veteran superintendent of the New York Central railroad, was no better last evening, pneumonia being complicated with heart trouble. It is probable, however, that he will live through the night.

Naval Notes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The United States steamship Ossipee, Commander W. B. Hoff, which arrived from Gardiner's bay yesterday morning, went up to the navy yard about nightfall to repair and fit out for the winter cruise.

Mrs. Cleveland Leads Mrs. Blaine.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—The voting for the Mrs. Blaine-Cleveland quilt excites much interest among the lady frequenters of the Baptist fair at Agricultural hall. Mrs Cleveland is ahead.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 1, 1887.

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Calvert, Mrs Wm	Smith, Miss Maude
Everett, Mrs	Schavier Wm. M.
Hoperson, Thos (2)	Stryon Will E.
Hale, Mrs Susan	Taylor, Mrs. Pauline
Hanford, Miss Elizabeth	Taylor, Mrs. W. W.
Kennedy, Wm	Taylor, Mr. W.
Leake, Samuel	Walls, Sam'l W.
Marrow, Miss Caroline C	Wlomliams Miss Catelia
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W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

DEATHS.

ARNOLD—In New York on Friday, Dec 2, Julia A., wife of the late David P. Arnold. See *N. Y. Herald.*

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

PALMS AND WINTER-BLOOMING PLANTS TO loan for receptions. Balsam Fir Pillows, Christmas wreaths and roping, for sale. Churches supplied by Denton, Hillside avenue.

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Of the Congregational Church will hold
A DAIRYMAID FESTIVAL
At the "Y" rooms, 55 E. Front street, on
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Hulled Corn and Milk will be a feature of the Supper.
Refreshments of various kinds will be on sale during the evening; also Cheeses, and Fancy Articles.

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THE WRECKED FIDELITY

CONTINUATION OF THE TRIAL OF EX-VICE-PRES. HARPER.

Bank Examiner Powell Tells How Harper Emplored Him to Pass the Examination--His Overdrawn Accounts.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 3.—The trial of ex-Vice President Harper, of the Fidelity National bank, continued yesterday. A number of witnesses were examined, including Mr. Briggs Swift, the president of the wrecked institution.

Bank Examiner Powell, who was the government's agent in closing the doors of the Fidelity last June, stated that he was begged by Harper to pass the examination. He was then asked to telegraph to the comptroller of the currency for authority to omit the examination, but he still refused. He found the telltale memorandum checks as cash representing $600,000. Briggs Swift, the president, said he never knew of them till then. Harper, when asked for an explanation, shrugged his shoulders and walked away in silence.

Paul P. Ashbrook, a smooth-faced, boyish looking witness, was the next. Mr. Harper saluted him with a nod and a smile as he took his place. Mr. Ashbrook returned the salutation with unaffected dignity. The reason for these greetings became apparent when the witness stated that he was the individual bookkeeper of the Fidelity National bank, and had charge of accounts from A to J, which of course included Mr. Harper's. It was concerning this that he was called to testify.

Mr. Ashbrook said Harper's account was frequently overdrawn. At one time it was overdrawn $16,000. He indicated overdrafts at the time they were made in Harper's account, but after they were made he indicated them in the account of Harper & Co. Witness read the fluctuations of Harper's and other accounts in which he was interested from January to June. Nearly all were overdrawn at some time.

When the district attorney called Briggs Swift there was a murmur of expectation.

There was much curiosity as to how he would talk when called as a witness. Almost the first question produced laughter. He was asked if he knew his bank was engaged in a wheat deal.

"I did not," was his blunt answer.

He then went on to say that he asked Harper in January last if he was in the wheat deal, and Harper said he had not a dollar in it. Later witness sent him a letter asking him the same question, and he replied by letter saying he had no interest whatever in the matter, and if any man said he had he was a liar. Afterward witness often spoke to him about it, and he always contradicted the rumors that he was in the deal. When the public began to suspect the Fidelity bank, and witness wanted to restore confidence, he went to the bank with Mr. Richard Smith, of the *Gazette*, and together they catechized Harper on the subject and he denied it. Then Mr. Smith—upon witness' assurance and upon Harper's express statement—wrote an editorial denying that the Fidelity bank was mixed up in the affair. This was but a few days before the failure.

KNIGHTS VS. KNIGHTS.

Organizing a New Order Similar to the K. of L.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Knights of Labor in this city do not believe that the circular sent out by the "provisional committee" at Chicago will have any effect on the local assemblies here in good standing.

The work of organizing another order similar to that of the knights is progressing but it is not believed by New York knights that it will ever assume large proportions. The anti-administration delegates to the recent general assembly are the prime movers in the efforts to form the new organization, and they lately held a secret conference at Philadelphia.

Local assemblies opposed to the present regime of the Knights of Labor and open unions have been approached for the purpose of getting them to join the new movement. The suspended carpet weavers' assemblies, which include several thousand workers in this state, will probably join the new organization.

Everests After a New Trial.

BUFFALO, Dec. 3.—The motion for a new trial in the case of Hiram B. and Charles M. Everest, the the Rochester agents of the Standard Oil company, whom a supreme court jury found guilty of conspiracy against the Buffalo Lubricating Oil company, was made yesterday. The counsel for the prisoners, who are out on bail, made their arguments and the prosecution's side is yet to be heard. All the papers will be submitted to Judge Haight by Dec. 16 at the latest.

More Trouble Expected.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—A strike is in progress in the shoe trade in Northampton. Last evening, while a body of police was escorting the workmen to their homes, they were attacked by the strikers and a severe struggle ensued. Eight constables were injured by being struck by stones. It is expected that worse trouble will occur at the end of the week, when an immense number of operatives will be locked out.

They Both Die Together.

READING, Dec. 3.—Levi Keller, an aged farmer, living near Virginsville, was ill with a complication of diseases, and his wife nursed him until overcome with fatigue. When he spoke of dying she said: "If you go, I will go too." Finally Mr. Keller died in his wife's arms. She placed the body upon a bed, swooned away, and in a few minutes breathed her last. Husband and wife will be buried in one grave.

Almost a Wreck.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The schooner Golden Rule while entering Bridgeport harbor on Thursday, struck a spar buoy near the outer beacon. The planking on the vessel's port side was penetrated and part of the upper railing near the foremast was carried away. Water rushed in and the crew had a very narrow escape from drowning. The vessel will have to lay up for repairs.

Denied by the Supreme Court.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 3.—The supreme court has denied the application by citizens of Jersey City for a writ of certorai to stop the elevation of the Pennsylvania railroad tracks in that city and to bring the proceedings of the board of works up for review.

Recognition Wanted for Her Son.

BUCHAREST, Dec. 3.—Princess Olementine, the mother of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, will visit the King of Roumania after leaving Sophia. Her mission will be to secure the king's recognition of her son as Bulgarian ruler.

Susan B. Anthony Speaks.

MADISON, Ind., Dec. 3.—Susan B. Anthony and Helen M. Gongar addressed the Womens' Suffrage convention here yesterday afternoon. The convention continues to-day.

THE COWBOY DIALECT.

Some of The Queer Words and Phrases Used in the Far West.

The "Bucolic Dialect of the Plains" is made the subject of a paper by Louis Swinburne. Passing over the first page of his paper, which very interestingly traces the origin of the place-names in the vicinity of the Rockies, we come, says the Philadelphia *Record*, to the class of words that have sprung up among cattle-owners and cowboys to designate the various acts and general conduct of their occupation, which the writer asserts have never been catalogued. The terms "rounding-up," and "branding" are too well known to be dealt upon. "Bucker," meaning a refractory animal, is also in ordinary use in the East, being generally applied to refractory politicians. The cook on a ranch is called a "rustler," and the term is also applied to any uncommonly active man, and its sense has been still further amplified so that it may mean a thief. "Pilgrim" and "tenderfoot," originally applied to newly-imported cattle, but now it means all new-comers, whether two or four legged. "To go over the range" was also once limited to cattle, but now men as well as beasts that die "go over the range" in cowboy parlance. "Roped in" has also come to be of common use. Steers are "roped in" for the purpose of branding; men are often "roped in" to their disadvantage. The epithet "thoroughbred" applied to a fine woman is very commonly used in the West, but the English also use the word in the same sense.

The writer gives the following short of ordinary cowboy words:

Brand, noun and verb; brand-book, containing the recorded brands of the county; branding-chute, branding-iron, counterbrand, v. and n., flying-brand, lazy-brand; brand-bunch, small herd of cattle; bunch-grass; crease, v. t., to stun a horse or steer by a blow in the neck in order to catch him; cut out, to separate an animal from the herd; cutting-horse; crop, n. and v., an earmark, or to make a mark by cutting the ear; dewlap, a cut in the lower part of the neck; vent, a brand announcing sale; single-bob, a slit ear dropping down. Other marks signifying ownership are over-bit, over-hack, over-half-crop, overslope, swallow-fork, under-bit, under-hack, etc. These are mostly technical, but the common terms are almost equally unfamiliar—such as grade, adj., and v., improved cattle; grass-cattle, fed only on grass; hackamore, bridle made of horse-hair; heel, to lariat an animal by the hind leg; hondou (derivation unknown, though probably from Spanish honda, the eye of the needle), the slip-knot of the lariat; paunch, to shoot a refractory steer through the paunch, producing temporary quietude; slicker, a water-proof coat; string, a small collection of horses or steers; string-beam, pair of horses or mules in long succession; tail, to hold a steer down by the tail after it is lassoed and heeled; trail, n. and v.; trail-cattle, trail-cinch; wrangler, a dog-herder; wrangle-footed, mixture of several gaits. The list is by no means complete, but it comprises the most common vernacular terms in use.

The class of words draw from the Spanish is more numerous and more interesting. Ranch, from rancho, meaning mess, is commonly applied by the herder to his companions; so is "outfit;" vamos, to clear out; ranchero is the steward of the mess; vaquero is the herder; compañero, partner, and compadre, friend. The adobe of which the cowboy's house is built is known by its Spanish name alone. He calls his stove an estufa; eats tortillas, in other words hoe-cake; wears a serape (a light striped woolen shawl) over his shoulders; calls his fields of incern fields of alfalfa, a dried-up creek an arroyos, deep holes made by the mountain flood barrancas, and water canals (used for irrigation) acequias. Any collection of trees, brambles or bushes is a chaparral, and table-land is mesa. "Baile," corrupted into "bailee" among cowboys, is allied to our ball; but it means also sheriff (bailiff), which is significant. The connection between bails and bailiffs in New Mexico is, unfortunately, more intimate and frequent than would be thought desirable in Boston and New York.

Loco is a Spanish word signifying mad, crack-brained. A plant of the plains which is poisonous to cattle, producing symptoms of insanity, is called loco-weed. "From the substantive a verb sprang into use. Cattle showing signs of madness are said to be 'locoed,' and so finally the word extended to human beings. Some have derived these meanings from the plant itself, as if it had originally borne the name 'loco;' but this is incorrect, the real process having been just the reverse of it."

Cuddy and burro are the two epithets which distinguish the small donkey. But the cowboy is getting to like the well-bred horse better, and the burro's day of popularity is gone. It is in relation to his horse and trappings that the cowboy's Spanish vocabulary is particularly rich.

Preparatory to saddling the buckamore, which is said to come from the Spanish jaquima, a halter—on the plains usually wrought of twisted hair—is thrown over his head and firmly tied. Then the saddle-blanket is thrown over his withers, with some-times a tilpah, or parti-colored rug, woven and dyed by the Navajo or Taos Indians; and over this the saddle—the huge Mexican saddle, or perhaps the McClellan army saddle. If it is the former, it has to be "cinched." This is from the Spanish substantive cincha, meaning a belt or girdle; cinchar, to girdle. To "cinch" a horse is by no means the same as girthing him. The two ends of the tough cordage which constitute the "cinch" terminate in long, narrow strips of leather, called latigos (Spanish thongs), which connect the "cinches" with the saddle, and are run through an iron ring, called, if I remember correctly, the larigo ring, though why deponent saith not, and then tied by a series of complicated turns and knots. Sometimes there is a cource, or leather cover to protect the saddle. A pack saddle is an aparejo. The stout leather trousers for rough weather are called chaps, contracted from chaparro. A jacket of the same material is sometimes worn, cut short in the jaunty Spanish fashion, and braided just as you see them in the streets of Seville. Add to these the woolen shirt, gray in color and laced in front, the high boots, the sash, and the great jingling spurs, and you have of the other apparel of the herders nearly every thing except the quirt, the reata, the latigos and the tapaderos. Quirt is probably Spanish also, if we may now have to find its Spanish equivalent in cuerda, a rope; it is a short whip, made generally of dressed leather, woven into many curious shapes. The rope used to tie horses with is a lariat or convesta. Tapaderos and latigos are both applied to foot covering, and the cowboy never wears a hat, always a sombero.

"WHAT will follow the toboggan?" asks an exchange. Bruises, generally, and sometimes a broken limb. Let the sport proceed.

GREVY AT LAST GIVES UP

HIS RESIGNATION CAUSES A TEMPORARY LULL.

He Retires, He Says, With a Heavy Heart
Scenes in Paris That Occurred During the Day.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—President Grevy has at last resigned the presidency of the republic. His letter of resignation was read in the chamber of deputies at at 2:30 yesterday afternoon. Grevy says he regards the votes taken in the chamber of deputies and senate Thursday as a decisive demonstration, which necessitates his resignation. The services in the country which he rendered, during which peace prevailed, are recalled in his message.

M. GREVY.

He leaves the office with a sad heart, he says, and he will not be responsible for future events.

"Vive la Republique" was the ringing cry that swelled into a roar as the chamber of deputies adjourned after having listened to the reading of President Grevy's long deferred letter resigning his high office. It was on the same day thirty-six years ago, December 2, 1851, that Louis Napoleon began his coup d'etat by the dissolution of the assembly, and on the same day that, one year later, he finished it by assuming the robes of the imperial monarchy. This was not lost sight of by the monarchists, and they sought to draw hope and comfort from the omen.

Among other things that M. Grevy said in his message of resignation was the following:

"So long as I had only to contend with the difficulties that have accumulated in my path, the attacks of the press, the abstention of the men whom the public voice called to my side, and the increasing impossibility to form a ministry, I struggled on and remained where duty bade me. But at the moment when public opinion, better informed, marked a change which gave me hope of forming a government, the senate and chamber of deputies voted a double resolution which, under the form of an adjournment to a fixed hour to await the president's promised message, is tantamount to summoning the president to resign. It would be my duty and right to resist, but uner the circumstances in which we are placed a conflict between the executive and parliament might entail consequences which restrain me. Wisdom and patriotism command me to yield."

On the conclusion of the reading of M. Grevy's resignation, M. Floquet read a letter from the president of the Senate, summoning a congress of the two chambers at Versailles yesterday for the purpose of electing a new president.

Then for the first time the members found voice, and on the adjournment they poured out of the chamber shouting, "Vive la Republique," "Vive la France."

It is difficult to forsee the result of today's session of congress at Versailles. M. de Freycinet has, perhaps, the best chance of election as matters look now, his partisans repudiating MM. Ferry and Floquet as second choice on the ground that the election of either would be inimical to an alliance between France and Russia, who now seems to the majority of republican statesmen most desirable.

After the dinner hour crowds trooped into the Place de la Concorde, and, finding the Palace Bourbon closed, crossed the bridge, proceeded to the Faubourg St. Honore, and on toward the Elyses palace. They were stopped at the British Embassy, however, by a strong body of police, who, with the guards, gradually drove the crowds back to the Place de la Madelide. The police charged brutally dealing blows with their clenched fists.

All the generals commanding corps and divisions who have been visiting Paris within the last week have joined their commands. General Boulanger took his departure for Clermont Ferrand yesterday, quietly, and without exciting by his appearance in public the slightest demonstration.

Louise Michel attempted to enter the Palais Bourbon and created quite a scene upon being denied admission. She was finally removed forcibly from the vicinity of the palace and set free after promising to give no further trouble. M. Basly, the socialist deputy, was arrested and locked up.

Shortly after midnight a large crowd collected in the Place de la Concorde, which a mounted guard charged upon and tried to disperse. Several revolver shots were fired at the police and the crowd stood its ground. Later the police were re-enforced by a body of infantry and another charge was made, resulting in the clearing of the square and the injuring of sixty persons.

MR. SULLIVAN SENTENCED.

The Lord Mayor Goes to Prison for Two Months.

DUBLIN, Dec. 3.—Lord Mayor Sullivan was yesterday sentenced to two months' imprisonment without hard labor for printing notices of suppressed branches of the national league in his paper, the *Nation*.

Mr. Sullivan took his seat on the bench and kept it until the commission was read. He then made a formal protest against the ommission of his name and withdrew from the court. Mr. Sexton, the high sheriff, accompanied him in his withdrawal.

Mr. Sullivan will be treated in prison as a first-class misdemeanant.

Mr. Sullivan, upon being taken from the court, was conveyed in a cab to Richmond prison. Immense crowds of persons followed the vehicle through the streets, alternately cheering Mr. Sullivan and hissing and jeering at the police. Along the route several sharp conflicts between the police and the crowd took place.

Lord Lyons Dying.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—It is announced that Lord Lyons has been received into the Catholic church, and that the last rites of the church have been administered to him. This is taken to indicate that there is not the slightest possibility of his recovery.

Lord Salisbury Sells London Property.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Lord Salisbury has sold his free hold property on Cecil and Salisbury sts. strand, comprising 86,000 square feet for £200,000.

The "Spider" Uses Carrier Pigeons.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—When the "Spider" started for Minneapolis he took with him two or three carrier-pigeons, which he promised his wife he would liberate at certain points along the route, so that she could hear tidings from him without waiting for the mails. The first one of the birds liberated arrived yesterday afternoon, and Mrs. Weir learned that her husband had passed through New York and is now bound straight for the west.

WAS IT TO SAVE A FRIEND?

Suicide Kebler, Said to Have Stolen to Assist Another.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 3.—The crookedness of Charles A. Kebler, the attorney who committed suicide last week because involved in forgeries to the amount of $100,000, is assuming immense proportions. The new victims have been discovered, swelling the amount of defalcations to $200,000. Mrs. Johanna Hammon, of this city, now in Europe, had $60,000 with Kebler, and Mrs. F. A. M. Curtis, of Valley Junction, intrusted him with $30,000.

The forgeries of this well-known lawyer are now said to have been made in order to shield one who was very dear to him, and not as a result of his extravagant living. Two days before his suicide Kebler told E. W. Kittredge, of this city, that his forgeries had been used as a means of obtaining money to cover up the delinquencies of a dear friend. Kittredge does not deny that Kebler told him that but says he doesn't believe a word of it. Mr. Kittredge says he is not willing to cast a reflection on Kebler's dead father. Among the losers by Kebler's forgeries is Antioch College, to the tune of $50,000 to $70,000, the suicide having been one of the trustees. Kebler is also known to have been a victim of the opium habit.

SHE GUILOTINED HER SON.

An Insane Mother Chops Her Little Boy's Head Off.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 3.—Mrs. John Evans of this city, the demented wife of an industrious miner, killed her five-year-old son yesterday, just after her husband had left home for work. The woman procured a hatchet and literally chopped the child's head to pieces. In her frenzy she also hacked the little fellow's throat with the hatchet, evidently intending to sever the head from the body.

The woman then prepared to kill her four-year-old daughter, but the timely intervention of her neighbors prevented her. The boy lingered for several hours suffering terrible agony.

The Lincoln, Neb., Contempt Cases.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The supreme court of the United States yesterday decided to grant the application for a writ of habeas corpus returnable on December 12 in the contempt case from Lincoln, Neb., involving the liberty of the mayor and eleven members of the city council of that city now confined in jail at Omaha for refusing to obey an injunction of the federal court in an investigation of malfeasance in office against Judge Parsons. The injunction was granted by the federal court on the ground that the investigation by the mayor and council was being conducted under an ex post facto ordinance. The mayor and council refused to obey the injunction.

Cut His Throat With a Pair of Shears.

TROY, Dec. 3—For several days William Tulley, youngest son of John Tulley, a well-known marketman of Malone, has been confined to the house with delirium tremens. He is about 21 years old. On Wednesday night young Tulley attempted to cut his throat with a pair of shears. He cut or rather tore two wounds in his throat. One cut severed the windpipe, and the other was very near the jugular vein. The cuts were sewed up and Tulley may recover, although he has lost a great deal of blood.

To Open a New Coke Field.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 3.—The Revere coke company, recently formed, has 1,000 acres of land in Fayette county near Uniontown. The members are from Cleveland, Chicago, and this city. The capital stock is $300,000. Mr. Potter of the North Chicago rolling mill, the largest in the world, is the president, and this mill will be supplied with coke from these works. Surveys are now being made. Seven hundred ovens will be built at once.

Death of an Old Editor.

LEROY, N. Y. Dec. 3.—Charles Battell Thomson, one of the veteran editors of the state, died suddenly of paralysis yesterday aged 72 years. Early in life he worked at the printer's case in New York and Washington. In 1840 he bought the Leroy *Gazette*, which he edited for forty-four years. He was appointed postmaster of Leroy by Presidents Taylor and Grant. He was an intimate friend of Thurlow Weed and Horace Greeley.

Master Workman Quinn Arraigned.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Master Workman James E. Quinn was arraigned at the Tombs yesterday on the charge of assault and battery preferred by Alfred H. Ballard the *Tribune* reporter, whom Quinn tried to throw down the stairs of Pythagoras hall on Wednesday night. The lawyer wanted the case adjourned to give him time to get witnesses. Justice Kilbreth set the case down for Monday the 12th.

Capital for Iron Works in Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 2.—Charles M. Matthews of the Cunard steamship line, has been in the city for several days attending to some investments which he and other New York men are making here. He refused to say more than that the money to be invested will amount to several hundred thousand dollars and will, be for the most part, put into iron manufacturing concerns.

Accidentally Shot and Killed.

MONTREAL, Dec. 3.—The 5-year-old son of Dr. Alloway, Wellington street, was accidentally shot this afternoon by one of the apprentices in the doctor's laboratory. It appears that the student, Alexander Thurber was playing with a loaded rifle in the kitchen, when it went off, the ball penetrating the heart of the unfortunate little fellow, who died five minutes afterward.

Dr. Parker to Be Sued.

NORWICH, Conn., Dec. 3.—The Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker, of London, is to be sued for breach of contract by Mr. W. K. Logee, the well known amusement manager of eastern Connecticut, for not keeping his agresment to lecture here last night.

Among the Sports.

Charles Gerger, of Hoboken, it is reported, is anxions to fight either Casey or Gager for from $100 to $500 a side.

The fight between Jack Dempsey and Johnny Reagan will soon be due. Both men are working hard to fit themselves for the fray.

It is understood that R. W. Thomas, who has been engaged by Lucky Baldwin to train his horses next season, will receive $10,000 for his services.

A. J. Armstrong, one of the founders of the Louisville Jockey club, and one of the best known of southern sporting men, died at his home in Falls City on Wednesday night in the 58th year of his age.

Harvey McKenna, who played such a magnificent game of billiards with Morris in Boston on Wednesday night, playing him run 500 or count nothing, and winning by 500 to 1, was matched Thursday against Fred Eams to play French carroms $100 a side, with an added purse of $100. The game will be played in Boston the 21st instant.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.40, 9.32, 10.37, 11.08, 11.42, a.m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, 11.42, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.55, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 7.14, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9 29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, 11.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.60, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

7.14, a. m.—For Flemington.

8.05, a. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, 11.42 a.m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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A METEORIC STONE FALLS.

And was Supposed by a Good Many People to be an Earthquake.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—A large section of country in southern Berks county, Pa., is stirred up over what many believe to have been an earthquake. The sound resembled a heavy blast coming from Joanna Heights hill, and after the first crash a rumble of distant thunder followed. The evening was clear and bright, and the crash sounded in the upper regions, but there was no flash of light visible. Many persons who were sitting by their firesides rushed out of doors. George Smith, of Summit Level, said the crash sounded as if it came from his barn.

At Amos Rausch's, near Joanna, a similar occurrence took place. The only explanation of the phenomenon is that a meteoric stone has fallen. A few nights ago, while heavy clouds hung over the sky, a luminous body was noted floating through the atmosphere, and the testimony of those who witnessed it was that they were enveloped by the light.

Against Chicago Bucket-shops.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Six indictments have returned by the grand jury against the bucket-shops kept by Lee Hunt, J. A. Murphy & Co., and Aiken, Weaver & Wiggs. George W. Wiggs, the last named, is a member of the Chicago board of trade and formerly owned the *Current* newspaper. The indictments have occasioned great surprise in speculative stock and grain circles. Murphy and Wiggs proceeding will be begun against fifty members of the Chicago board under the gambling act.

Rogers Locomotive Works Burned.

PATTERSON, N. J., Dec. 3.—A fire occurred in the pattern shop of the Rogers locomotive works in Paterson last night, and the shop was almost completely destroyed. It was a stubborn fire and hard to get at, and it took the entire fire department two or three hours to prevent the flames from extending to adjoining buildings. It is said that many old and valuable patterns, the accumulation of years, were destroyed, and the loss will be heavy. The exact amount could not be learned last night.

Arrested Charged With Perjury.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Daniel Leary, democratic inspector of election, was arrested yesterday charged with perjury and fraud in the senatorial contest at the recent election.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

A large proportion of the business part of Eminence, Ky., was burned yesterday morning.

Mr. George J. Johnson, ex-auditor of the state of Louisiana, died at Mobile, Ala., yesterday of consumption.

Matthew Roach, while at work in a sewer excavation at Hartford, Conn., yesterday, was badly injured by a premature explosion and will probably lose his sight.

On Sand mountain, near Collinsville, Ala., last night, the house of John T. Brooks took fire, and one of the children, who had been left alone, was burned to death.

Michael Connery, engineer for Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, of New York, dropped dead at his residence in Newport, R. I., yesterday evening. He was formerly in the navy.

Several buildings at Fort Worth, Texas, were burned on Thursday, including the Clark house and a boarding house. In the ruins of the latter a body was found so badly disfigured as to be unrecognizable.

The trial of John Kennedy, indicted with others for grand larceny in stealing 2,034 bushels of wheat at the Richmond elevator on September 16, 1886, was begun yesterday at Buffalo, N, Y., before Judge Daniels.

A man wearing a mask attempted to kill Miss Grace Nettleton in her mother's house at Lafayette, Mo., early yesterday morning, but fled on the approach of persons attracted by the young lady's outcry. He dropped a large knife as he sprang through a window.

The probate court at New Haven, Conn., yesterday granted the petition of A. M. Dodge & Co., of New York, for the appointment of a keeper in the matter of White, Clarkson & Co., wholesale lumber dealers, pending a hearing on Friday next. The liabilities of the firm are estimated at from $50,000 to $100,000.

J. E. Hiller, of Marblehead, Mass., agent of the Massachusetts Total Abstinence society, was brutally assaulted with a club, rendered unconscious and robbed of $56 at Millis, Mass., Thursday afternoon. Two young men named Wilson Carrol and George Gibson, both of Boston, have been arrested on suspicion.

A hearing was begun on Thursday before Judge Jamieson at Chicago in the suits of Robert M. Douglas, one of the sons, and Mrs. Adele C. Williams, widow of Stephen A. Douglas, against the Union Mutual Life Insurance company and the University of Chicago to secure title to the property given by Mr. Douglas for the purpose of the University of Chicago, upon the ground that the grant was diverted from the object designed by the statesman when the university executed a mortgage of $150,000 to the life insurance company. The property has been foreclosed and sold to satisfy the company's claim.

Weather Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2, 8 p. m.—The weather indications for New York, New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are: warmer followed by cooler threatening weather, with rain or snow, light to fresh variable winds, becoming westerly.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Money on call 5 and 6 per cent.

BONDS.

	Closing, Yesterday,	Closing, To-day.
4½s, 1891, reg	108	107½
4½s, 1891, con	108¾	107½
4s, 1907, reg	126¾	125
4s, 1 907, con	126¾	126

STOCK MARKET,

THREE O'CLOCK—The afternoon market was dull and apathetic, with little movement in either direction, and occasional upward or downward fluctuations. There was no further news of importance.

CLOSING PRICES,	Closing, Yesterday,	Closing, To-day.
Canadian Pacific	55	55
Chicago, Bur. & Q	128	129
Central Pacific	33	35
Del. & Hud.	105¾	106
Del, Lack. & W	130½	131¼
Erie	23	23¼
Erie, pref	—	64¾
Lake Shore	93¾	94¾
Louis. & Nash	60½	61¼
Michigan Central	88¼	88¼
Missouri Pacific	89½	—
N. Y. & New Eng	38¾	39¼
New Jersey Cen.	74¾	74¾
New York Central & Hud.	107½	108¾
Northwestern	110¾	110¾
Oregon Navigation	83	83
Pacific Mail	39	39¼
Reading	28¾	29
Rock Island	112	114
St. Paul	74½	75¼
Union Pacific	55¾	57½
West Union Tel	78	78¼

Buttter—Market steady. Creamery—Eastern 24c a27c; western 22c a25c; Elgin, 30c a32c; imitation 22c a 24c; Dairy—Eastern, half-firkin tubs, 22c a26c; eastern, Welsh tubs, 21c a 23c; eastern, firkins 21 a 22c; eastern, dairies entire, 21c a22c; western, 19c a 21c; Factory—Fresh 23c a24c; June packed, 15c a 17c; low grades, 7c a9c.

Cheese—Market steady. Factory—New York cheddar, 11¾c a 12¼c; western, flat, 11½c a 11¾c; Creamery New York, part skims, 8c a9¼c; Pennsylvania, skims, ½c a 1¾c; state skims, 8c a9c.

Eggs—Market firm on fresh; Fresh—Eastern, firsts, 23c; Canadian firsts, 21c a 22c; western, firsts, 22 a 23c; limed—Eastern firsts, 17½c a18c; western, firsts, 17c a17½c; Canadian, firsts, 17c a17½c; held firsts, c.20a22c.

COMING INTO PORT.

I have weathered the turbulent cape of storms,
Where the winds of passion blow;
I have sheered by the reefs that gnash to foam
The shadows that lurk below;
I have joyed in the surge of the whistling sea,
And the wild strong stress of the gale,
As my brave bark quivered and leaped alive,
To the strain of its crowded sail.
Then the masterful spirit was on me,
And with nature I wrestled glad;
And danger was like a passionate bride
And love was itself half mad.
Then life was a storm that blew me on,
And flew as the wild winds fly,
And hope was a pennon streaming out
High up—to play with the sky.

Oh! the golden days, the glorious days
That so slavish of life we spent!
Oh! the dreaming nights with the silent stars
'Neath the sky's mysterious tent!
Oh! the light, light heart and the strong desire
And the pulse's quickening thrill,
When joy lived with us, and beauty smiled
And youth had its free, full will!
The whole wide world was before us then,
And never our spirits failed,
And we never looked back, but onward, onward
Into the future we sailed,
Ever before us the fair horizon
Whose dim and exquisite line
Alone divided our earth from Heaven,
Our life from a life divine.

Now my voyage is well-nigh over,
And my staunchest spars are gone;
And my sails are rent, and my barnacled bark
Drags slowly and heavily on.
The faint breeze comes from the distant shore
With its odor dim and sweet,
And soon in the silent harbor of peace
Long-parted friends I shall greet.
The voyage is well-nigh over,
Tho' at times a capful of wind
Will rattle the ropes and fill the sails
And furrow a wake behind.
But the sea has become a weariness,
And glad into port I shall come
With my sails all furled, and my anchor dropped,
And my cargo carried home.

—*Blackwood's Magazine.*

ARTIFICIAL SLEEP.

An Englishman Relates His Experience with Chloroform.

Some four years ago I suffered considerable anxiety, writes a contributor to the *St. James' Gazette*. I had bought some railway shares at a very low price; my broker told me that I had "only got to lock up the stuff and sit down upon it; all I had to do was not to be in too great a hurry to take my profits." I followed his advice; but my stock went lower and lower, and, as it was a non-dividend-paying one, I found myself in straits. During the day it didn't trouble me much; but all night long I used to lie and think about my losses. As things got worse my sleeplessness increased. Of course, I know it couldn't actually have been so, but it seemed to me that I hadn't slept at all for a fortnight, and then I had an addition to my troubles in a smart attack of face ache. So I went to my dentist, who looked into my mouth and said: "There is nothing I can do for you; but I can relieve the pain at night, and give you a few comfortable hours' rest, at all events." I jumped at the suggestion. "If you were not a personal friend of mine," the dentist went on to say, "I shouldn't do this; it's horribly unprofessional, you know." Then he took a little bottle, and with a small glass measure he carefully meted out the dose. "There are thirty drops of pure chloroform here," he said; "when you go to bed pour the chloroform upon the center of a folded handkerchief, lie upon your side on the edge of your pillow, and inhale the drug, carefully keeping your mouth closed. Sniff away at it just as if it were smelling-salts; the pain will disappear, and you will sleep like a top."

Now I longed for night. When it arrived I jumped into bed, thirsting for sleep, and carefully carried out my instructions. Having lowered the gas, I took the folded handkerchief, emptied the contents of the little bottle upon its center, laid my head upon the edge of the pillow, closed my eyes and mouth, and proceeded to inhale as directed. Gradually, yet rapidly, a feeling of drowsiness crept upon me. First I seemed to be looking upon a black and inky darkness; then the darkness seemed softly illuminated by minute points of light like distant stars. Presently the light of these stars became more intense, and I noticed that they were arranged in innumerable parallel rows. It gave me a strange pleasure to gaze upon them. Now the pain in my face disappeared, the stars seemed to grow brighter and to increase in size. Then suddenly they all began to revolve at the same instant. I gazed at them (this, at any rate, was the sensation) with a sort of pleased astonishment and curiosity. As I gazed they revolved still more rapidly; then I heard a puffing noise, which increased in rapidity, exactly resembling the sound made by a distant engine leaving a station, and then sank into a deep, tranquil, dreamless sleep which lasted all the night. In the morning I woke greatly refreshed and the pain in my face had gone. The one sound night's rest had done me an immense amount of good. My mind no longer dwelt painfully upon my miserable trouble. I could face the share-list with calmness. Once more I was a comparatively happy man, and I went on with my ordinary avocations in a half-jubilant state.

But again that night sleep avoided me. I counted one thousand, I repeated the multiplication-table, I tried to picture in my mind's eye an innumerable succession of sheep jumping over a hurdle, I tried to recall the last Sunday's sermon; all to no avail. Morning came to find me still weary and wakeful, and so I resolved to call again upon my friend the dentist. I did so. But my visit was not altogether a success. On learning what I wanted my friend sternly refused fresh supplies. Chloroform, he said, was a dangerous drug; to use it once was all well enough; the habit of taking it was worse than dram drinking. When I began to entreat he bowed me out of the room.

I indignantly marched to the nearest chemist's and asked for an ounce of chloroform as calmly as if I had been demanding a black draught. The chemist inquired if I were a medical man, and on my replying in the negative declined to supply me. Afterwards I went to four other chemists with the like result. How I obtained the drug at last is neither here nor there, but by the exercise of some ingenuity I became possessed of a pound bottle of chloroform and a two-drachm glass measure graduated in drops. And now I found myself in possession of a panacea more potent than "poppy or mandragora, or all the dropsy sirups of the world." Every night I used to procure sound and comfortable sleep, and I went on doing so unconscious of my danger. For three whole months I continued in this course. The habit had mastered me from the first. This is an honest confession and not a sermon, and I am bound to state that the only inconvenience I ever experienced was a slight feeling of nausea in the morning. Two distinct desires irresistibly prompted me—the one an intense longing for sleep and a refuge from mental worry, the other a hankering after the pleasurable sensations which the inhalation of the drug invariably produced. My subsequent experiences in this respect were very like to the first one. I would fancy myself stretched in luxurious enjoyment upon a soft silken couch, gazing upon a wall upholstered like the interior of a first-class railway carriage, only that the walls were covered with satin of delicate texture and the softest colors, on which the eye delighted to dwell. After a while the little buttons on the wall would gradually become luminous and commence to rotate, slowly at first, but with rapidly increasing velocity. As they grew larger and brighter, sweet odors seemed to arise about me; then I would hear the sound of the engine leaving the station, and I sank away in sleep. The illusions were always pleasant, and generally more delightful to the sight than to any of the other senses. There was a sort of feeling as of the gratification of a violent curiosity. As soon as I inhaled the drug the anticipation of some delightful vision came over me, and I was never disappointed. The visions were always beautiful; often complicated; sometimes exceedingly minute; generally in monochrome, but often in the most brilliant colors. What I saw always appeared at first in a state of rest, but a regular and increasing motion was developed, the pictures became more vivid, the puffing noise invariably supervened, followed by sound and undisturbed slumber.

By this time the habit had taken such a hold upon me that during the day time I could think of little else but of my pleasure to come. To produce the desired effect the dose had been slowly increased. I was now inhaling regularly sixty drops every night.

Probably I should not be here to tell the tale if I had not become engaged to be married. My two future brothers-in-law invited me to accompany them in a boating party on the Upper Thames. I accepted; and then it suddenly struck me that I should be deprived for one whole week at least of my favorite drug. Detection in such indulgence would certainly break off the marriage. It would not do to be found out; so I started without a single drop of my divine elixir. I was quite out of practice in sculling, and at night-time I lay down to rest tired as a dog and dead beat. That was my salvation. I slept like a top, and I have never inhaled a single drop of chloroform since.

I know a good deal more about it now than I did then. I know now that had I shifted in my sleep on to my face I might have been suffocated, and probably should have been. I know now that had vomiting taken place—and it is one of the commonest results of the inhalation of the drug—there was every likelihood of a similar result. I know, too, that with a slightly larger dose there was every chance of my being found dead in my bed.

If this confession should draw but a single individual from the dangerous path I used to tread I shall not have altogether failed of my object in writing it. I have contented myself with a description in plain, unvarnished language of my sensations, being anxious not to exaggerate them in any way. And all that remains to be said is that the inhalation of chloroform is the most fatal of all such habits, and the drug itself is the most treacherous and subtile of the narcotics that foolish people indulge in.

HISTORY OF CLOVES.

Interesting Facts Concerning This Most Highly Prized of All Spices.

The man who leaves the theater between the acts, merely to obtain a clove, and returns to his seat with its spicy odor floating on with him, probably does not know that he has, according to the original or Spanish meaning of the word, been chewing a nail, for Skeats, who is authority on etymology, says: "Clove is a kind of spice that comes from India," and goes on to state that the name "clove" was not borrowed, as first supposed, from the French, but came directly from the Spanish *clavo*, a nail, on account of the close resemblance; which, in its turn, is derived from the Latin word *clavus*, a nail.

Cloves, continues Mr. Robert M. Floyd, the author of this interesting article, are used principally for flavoring food, candies and cordials; medicinally as a tonic or to disguise the taste of drugs, etc., and occasionally they take the place of creosote to relieve pain in an aching tooth.

The clove of commerce is the blossoms of the largest and most beautiful of the myrtle family — the *caryophyllus aromaticus* of Linnæus—and is described by Rumpf as the most attractive and precious of all known trees. In form it somewhat resembles the cherry, and often reaches the height of forty feet, but does not bear spice blooms until about the seventh year and often lives to an age of from one hundred to two hundred years.

Its trunk is straight, and rises to four or five feet before it throws out branches. The bark is smooth, thin and adheres closely to the wood, which is hard and strong, but of an ugly gray color, and therefore not suited for cabinet work.

The *Indian Agriculturalist* gives the following account of the clove's growth: "In the commencement of the wet season which is the month of May in the native country of the clove, the tree throws out a profusion of new leaves. Soon after the germs of the blossoms are discovered at the extremities of the young shoots and in the four following months the cloves are completely formed. The blossom, at first of a green color, assumes in time a pale yellow, and then becomes of a blood-red color, if of the most ordinary variety. It is at this period (December) that the clove is fit to be used as a spice, and of course this is the period of the clove harvest."

The first cargo of spice was brought to Europe in 1521 from the Molucca Islands in the Indian Archipelago. These islands were held for ninety-three years by the Portuguese, until 1605, when they were captured by the Dutch, who did all in their power, through edicts and destruction, to clear away and totally destroy the clove growth on the Molucca Islands, so as to increase the value of the attempted cultivation of the same tree in Amboyna. This wicked and wanton destruction by the Dutch was continued until the year 1824.

The clove is an essential part of the housewife's store closet, for what would mince pies, pickled peaches and the party ham be without its aromatic odor and delightful taste?

Making Widows with Poison.

Young married farmers have been dying off with dreadful suddenness in villages of Syrmia, in Eastern Croatia. These young farmers were all brand new husbands, and at last their deaths, all coming so soon after their marriage, excited suspicion, and the matter was investigated. It was found that an old woman had conceived the idea of getting pretty young girls to marry farmers and poison them and divide the spoils. The old woman is now in jail, and so far seven young widows to whom she had furnished poison with which to poison their husbands.

How He Got Off.

A passenger on a Georgia railroad with a ticket to Waters station found that the train would not stop there. After appealing in vain to the conductor he went to the front platform of the rear coach, drew out the coupling-pin, set the brake, and, when the car slackened its speed, jumped off into the darkness. It was not until the train reached Sylvania, some distance beyond, that the loss of the car was discovered.

UNSELFISH FRIENDS.

Are Men or Women the Most Sincere and Faithful?

Interesting Opinions Submitted by Wives and Maidens—The Experience of a Number of Ladies—Conclusions Reached by a Noted Woman.

In a room full of ladies I heard the question discussed not long ago whether men or women are the truest and most unselfish friends, writes Ella Wheeler Wilcox in the Philadelphia *Press*. The majority of unmarried women expressed quite unanimously an opinion in favor of the men. The married ladies were less outspoken, but the greater number of them were not enthusiastic in their faith in man's friendship for woman.

I heard one young lady, who had fought a single-handed battle with the world and achieved success, declare that the question was not even open to discussion in her mind.

"I think no one is a better judge of the matter," she said, "than a woman who has had to make her own way in life. I received appreciation and encouragement from men, when women gave me only indifference or neglect. Men predicted my success, while women feared I would fail. Men praised what they termed my courage, while women criticised what they termed my boldness."

Another lady declared that she would invariably go to a man were she in need of friendship or protection in time of trouble.

"If I were placed in a compromising situation, for instance," she said, "and wished to confide in some one, and had only my own words to prove my innocence, do you think I would trust myself to the mercy of a woman? No, indeed. And if I had done wrong and needed a confessor and counselor, surely I would go to a man. Women are so cruel to their own sex."

At this juncture I remarked that a man would always protect a woman against every man but himself. He would defend her from the censorious comments of the world quicker than another woman would—and then spoil it all by compromising her name himself.

Hereupon a happy-looking married lady expressed her opinion.

"You have all given your theories," quoth she; "now listen to my experience; No girl ever possessed more gentleman friends than I. My career was a self-made and self-supporting one, also. I, too, found men far readier with praise and encouragement than women were. Men proffered advice and aid, while women gave it if asked. Yet, as time advanced, I found men far more selfish in their friendship than women were. The interest of my most platonic male friends noticeably lessened after my marriage, and in several cases turned into enmity, while women regarded me with increased favor.

"Men whose respect and admiration, unmixed with any tender sentiment, I would have sworn I had won—did not hesitate to shrug their shoulders and sneer when I made an excellent marriage and no longer needed their occasional advice. I really think a man's friendship for an unmarried woman is always, even if unconsciously to himself, selfish. While she belongs to no one he imagines she belongs in some degree to himself, and rejoices in her prosperity. When she belongs to another man all this ceases. Women are less enthusiastic in the beginning, but their friendship wears better."

A young girl who had once published a little book and sold it on the street to passers-by said: "Men are far kinder-hearted than women. Women looked upon me as if I were doing some dreadful and improper act; men looked at me with sympathy and interest. In any time of distress women look at you as if you were lying to them; men wait until they catch you in a lie, and then they tell you of it. They forget and forgive a wrong, too, far sooner than women do."

I think if you can once remove all idea of possible rivalry from a woman's mind she makes a better friend than any man living. Tell a woman your successes and she may show jealousy; but tell her your sorrows and your failures she is moved to befriend you. On the contrary, tell a man of your successes and you win his admiring regard; while if you tell him your troubles you weary him.

One lady said she thought men were more prompt and agreeable, as a rule, than our own sex in their manner of bestowing favors, and it was because they were educated to business methods. A woman often wounded your feelings from no lack of kind impulses, but merely from her awkwardness in dealing with any matter outside of parlor or kitchen.

When I pondered over all that I had heard and placed my own personal experiences and impressions along with the other testimony, my conclusions might be classified something as follows:

1. Men are more enthusiastic and ready to espouse the cause of woman than her sister women are.
2. Women, when their interest is finally won, are more lasting in their friendships.
3. There is an instinctive rivalry between women, which until it is overcome by the bonds of sympathy is a bar to true, unselfish friendship.
4. There is an instinctive attraction between men and women which is a bar to safe and unselfish friendship.
5. Men expect more in return for their favors than women do.
6. Men are far more agreeable to approach in any matter requiring courtesy and politeness.
7. Women are far safer and more reliable friends in the long run.
8. The friendship of men noticeably decreases after a woman marries.
9. The friendship of women noticeably strengthens after a woman marries.

A Squirrel Got His Savings.

John O. Maloney for years lived in Morris, Conn. He was a miserly bachelor, and was known to have considerable money hidden somewhere. He died recently without revealing the place. The other day two men out shooting squirrels wounded a big gray that crawled into a box fastened between two branches high in a tree. One of them climbed the tree, stopped the hole where the squirrel entered, and took the box down. When they opened it there lay the squirrel dead, on a bed made of chewed bank notes. Not a single bill was whole; indeed, the fragments of the notes were so small that it was impossible to compute their original value. It is thought that the money was part or all of Maloney's hoardings.

Canadian Craze for Titles.

The craze for titles is spreading rapidly among the middle classes of Canada, and it is said that nine mothers out of ten who take their infants to the baptismal font have them christened "Lord John," "Sir William," "Lady Ellen," etc., even when they have not the slightest claim to bear a title.

A Parsimonious Husband.

An authority says that pearl necklaces costing $4,000 will be fashionable this winter. That, says the Norristown *Herald*, settles it. We know at least one woman who will not follow the fashion in pearl neck laces this winter. Thirty-five hundred dollars is enough to give for a necklace, any way.

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BY THE WAY.

—Three "Ours" of amusement at Music Hall, tonight.

—The devotional meeting of the "Y" will be held in their rooms, 55 East Front street, on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 6, at four o'clock.

—Chief Dodd will probably remove his family to Elizabeth on Wednesday, when he will assume control of the prisoners in the County Jail.

—The regular meeting of the Exempt Firemen's Association of this city has been adjourned, by order of the President, until Monday evening next.

—Great reductions are announced in wall-paper at Adams', No 10 Park avenue. Handsome wall-paper can there be obtained for 5 cents and upwards. Give him a call.

—The regular monthly communication of Jerusalem Lodge, will be held to-morrow evening. The rooms have just been redecorated and look particularly handsome.

—The December meeting of the City Council will occur this evening, when the matter of appointing a Chief of Police to succeed Chief Dodd, will probably be discussed.

—A meeting of the O. A. F., of this city, will be held on Thursday evening. Business of importance is to be transacted, and a full representation of the members is desired.

—Wm. Kinney, an old rounder, will lose his vote to-morrow. Officer Lynch arrested him on Saturday for drunkenness, and this morning he was committed for 30 days.

—Mr. W. D. Murray, President of the Y. M. C. A., will lead the Young Men's Meeting at Association Hall, this evening at 8 o'clock. Topic—"Christ Our Teacher." John 3:2; Matt. 7:28-29. All men welcome.

—It needs two more sets of the bell-punch ballot boxes to carry on the city election of to-morrow according to law. The city had only one additional set, so Councilman Carey has departed to borrow from Union and Somerset counties two extra boxes they each had.

—The Philharmonic Club have arranged a beautiful and attractive programme for the concert to-morrow night which is being anticipated with pleasure by all lovers of music among us. The soloists of the evening will be Miss Jennie Dutton, soprano and Mr. Richard Arnold, violin.

—The Art Gallery will be closed all of this week while the arrangements are making for the grand loan exhibition which opens in the Library Building on Wednesday evening, Dec. 14th, and continues indefinitely. Mr. F. X. Schoonmaker will deliver a lecture on the opening night, which will be illustrated with objects of Chinese and Japanese art.

—"Where is my boy tonight?" Well ma'am, he told us this afternoon that he was going to take his "girl" around to see "Ours" at Stillman Music Hall tonight, and if you don't believe it, go there yourself and you'll find him, and also be well entertained by the performance—we mean of course the stage performance—thereby, as it were, killing two birds with one brick.

—At the close of the service in Trinity Reformed church yesterday, eleven new members were welcomed into the church by the pastor and people. In the evening the pastor's popularity again drew together a large audience to listen to his discourse from St. John 17:15—"I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the World, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil."

—Something new for Plainfield. Van Emburgh & White's opening took place Saturday, and a lively one it was, the store being filled all day with ladies inspecting and buying from their immense new stock. This enterprising firm have added many new features to their store, among them being the cash carrying system and electric light. They are offering many novelties in holiday goods. Read what they will say in our advertising columns in to-morrow's PRESS—you will find something there worth knowing.

A Stabbing Affair at Dunellen.

THE PRESS recently called attention to an unlicensed saloon which is run at Dunellen in direct violation of the law. Fights and brawls, it is alleged, have become numerous at the place of late, but the climax was reached yesterday afternoon, when a young man named Conway of this city was stabbed in the back by one of his companions. Conway's version of the affair is that his companion and himself were skylarking, when he was accidentally stabbed in the back with a penknife. The wounded man was brought to Plainfield on an evening train, and Dr. Boone summoned. The doctor found the patient weak from loss of blood. He also found an ugly wound in the back, a few inches below the right shoulder, where the blade of the knife had penetrated, cutting through the clothing. The doctor says he does not fear any fatal results, but some time will be required for the wound to heal. Thus far no arrests have been made.

A SETTLEMENT WITH "DETECTIVE MURPHY."

The City Pays Edward Worsley $1.088 in full of all Demands to Date.

(Detective Murphy will receive his reward through the proper channel—PRESS, Nov. 29; Dec. 3.)

One Sunday in March last, Edward Worsley landed in New York after a hurried journey from Hartford, Conn., with but a dollar or two in his pocket. Last Saturday evening the City of Plainfield through those of its municipal officers authorized to do so, settled with "Detective Murphy" by allowing him eight dollars a day for 136 day's service as a pyromaniac policeman. The total amounted to $1,088, but after deducting what had been drawn by Mr. Worsley for "expenses," Corporation Counsel Marsh presented him with a check for $386. Mr. Worsley then signed a receipt that closed with these words—"and accept the sum in full payment of all demands to date."

But this amicable adjustment was preceded by a stormy conference with the "detective." After a consultation of the committee that included the Police Board, the Corporation Counsel and the Mayor—and the opinion of Chief of Police Dodd and others had been sought—it was generously decided to pay Mr. Worsley the full price that it would have cost for a regular detective—eight dollars a day from July 21 to Saturday last inclusive, and counting Sundays as well. Attorney Marsh, Councilman Carey and Chief Dodd then waited on Mr. Worsley and told him of the decision of the City authorities. The offer of settlement was at once refused. Mr. Worsley said he had been advised by counsel that his services were worth $3,000. Mr. Marsh, however, thoroughly satisfied Mr. Worsley that the settlement offered was both just and generous. He also with perfect dignity, but at no sacrifice of emphasis, told the ex-detective some "homely" truths and tendered some handsome advice. He at the same time, gave due credit for Mr. Worsley's many good qualities. The result was an agreement. Besides the city's generous allowance, private citizens have paid one-half the detective's bill at the City Hotel.

No one will deny that this thousand dollars is a generous reward for Mr. Worsley's services, and THE PRESS joins with the people who contribute to it by their taxes, in approval of the payment.

To-Morrow's Election.

We give below for the benefit of our readers of both parties, the candidates for election to-morrow. If you vote straight, compare your ticket with those below. Drop your politics, and if you see a name on the ticket you do not vote, better suited for the office than your own party nominee, write it in your ballot.

The pools are open from seven to seven o'clock—closing from one to two in the afternoon for dinner. Ballots for and against extra money for our schools, will be provided at the polls by the School Trustees, and deposited in a box separate from the one your city vote drops in.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Councilmen-at-large,
J. B. Dumont,
H. C. Squires,
E. N. Erickson.

For Assessor,
J. A. Hubbard.

For Collector,
John Johnson.

For Chosen Freeholders,
J. F. Hubbard,
A. Vanderbeek.

For Commissioners of Appeal,
M. Vermeule,
R. MacDonald.

For School Trustee,
George H. Babcock.

For Ward Councilmen:
1st—J. F. MacDonald.
2d—Chas. B. Corwin.
3d—Francis E. Marsh.
4th—William Addis.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Councilmen-at-large,
Joel B. Burnett,
Louis M. Stover,
Walter L. Hetfield.

For Chosen Freeholders,
James Clark,
Solomon Flaig.

For Commissioners of Appeal,
Jasper G. Cadmus,
Jeremiah Manning.

For School Trustee,
Nathan Harper.

For Ward Councilmen,
1st—G. Warren Watson.
2d—Wilton Randolph.
3d—Roscoe H. Channing.
4th—Elmore D. Moffett.

—The Bound Brook Reform Club, once a strong organization in that place, and the means of much good to the community, has placed its property in the hands of five trustees and virtually has given up existence. This announcement is to be regretted.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Leggett's only child is a boy, not yet a week old, but handsome enough for anyone to be proud of.

Special Officer Noel's presence at Music Hall entrance is now commented upon. His entire uniform is new and the brass buttons are polished up for the occasion.

If they count a very little boy only ten days old, as one—and he is the most important one, just now—Dr. and Mrs. Edward Rushmore have a fine family of five children.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Lyman have returned from their wedding trip and taken up their residence with Mr. I. W. Pangborn, the bride's father, on Rockview avenue.

At the residence of Rev. W. E. Honeyman, on Somerset street, Saturday evening, John Louis Henry Cremers and Miss Jennie Griffith were united in marriage. The bride and groom both reside in this city.

Mr. Halsey Compton with a pointer and a setter from his kennel of well trained dogs, sailed Saturday evening on an Old Dominion steamer for Richmond, intending to spend a month hunting deer and quail in Virginia.

Jennie May, a young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carmon Dunn, formerly of this city, died at her home in Philadelphia last May, from diphtheria. Saturday the body was removed to this city and deposited in the Presbyterian cemetery in North Plainfield.

Dr. Joel B. Burnett, who has been nominated by the Democrats as one of the Councilmen-at-large, is the father of that efficient presiding officer, faithful worker and altogether charming young lady, Miss Hattie Burnett, President of the Young Women's Christian Temperance Union.

The Newark *Journal* of last Saturday published a five-column letter which is a "fake" from beginning to end, but, none the less, a remarkably well written and clever satire on society. It is attributed to John Reginald Talbot, who, however, never wrote a word of it nor knew of its existence.

The surviving members of the 28th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers, hold a re-union today at South Amboy. Lieut. Seymour Marsh, of Company F., left here this morning to join his old command, and to take by the hand some of those who followed his lead on the battle fields of Virginia and elsewhere. The Lieut. is a good Democrat as well as a patriotic citizen.

OBITUARY.

JAMES T. DRAKE, ESQ.

James T. Drake, Esq., died at Elizabeth, yesterday morning, aged seventy-four years. He was born in Plainfield and was a son of Elkanah Drake. He removed to Elizabeth about forty-five years ago, and for some time was one of the publishers of the New Jersey *Journal* of that city—having, as a boy, learned the trade while a compositor on a Plainfield newspaper. He has been connected with the church for the past sixty years. He leaves a widow, four sons and four daughters—one of the latter being a daughter-in-law of Mr. Manning Vermeule of this city. The deceased also leaves twenty-four grandchildren—among them six grandsons who will be the pall-bearers at the funeral, to-morrow afternoon at two o'clock, at Elizabeth.

FRAZEE WHITEHEAD.

Frazee Whitehead, one of the oldest and most universally esteemed citizens in the Fourth ward, died at his home on West Front street, at an early hour this morning, aged 87 years, one month and one day. The deceased has for many years past been a resident of this city and was possessed of a large circle of friends and acquaintances. Although confined to the house a greater part of the time of late, his condition was not considered dangerous until a few days ago. His death resulted from paralysis. At one time, and for many years the deceased was in the employ of the Central Railroad Company, but of late he has lived a retired life. He was a member of the First Baptist church, and was a regular attendant until forced to remain at home on account of ill health.

Philharmonic Concerts.

Special Notice—These concerts will begin at 8:15 o'clock precisely. At that hour the doors to the auditorium will be closed and will remain closed during the rendering of the first movement of the first selection. At the conclusion of the first movement the doors will be opened, and those in waiting will be ushered to their seat. In like manner the doors will be closed during every selection, and opened only between the selections.

By order of
THE LECTURE COMMITTEE.

—The quarterly meeting of the New Jersey Pastors' Conference will be held at the Baptist church in Somerville, beginning this evening, at 7.30 o'clock. Rev. George E. Horr will be Moderator.

CHILDREN'S HOME ANNIVERSARY.

Interesting Exercises at Trinity Reformed Church—Reports by the President and Treasurer, and Addresses by Rev. Dr. Ketcham and Rev. Mr. Richards.

The Eleventh Anniversary exercises of the Children's Home Association took place in Trinity Reformed church on Saturday evening. The attendance was small, but the exercises were nevertheless very interesting. Rev. Mr. Schenck, the pastor, was in charge, and the other city clergymen who took part were Rev. Drs. Ketcham, Van Meter, Yerkes and Rev. Mr. Richards. Miss Gilbert presided at the organ, and Mr. T. B. Brown acted as precentor. The exercises opened by an organ voluntary, followed by Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. Dr. VanMeter. The congregation joined in singing a hymn, and Dr. Van Meter then read as follows

THE TREASURER'S REPORT:

Eliza J. Serrell, Treasurer, in account with Children's Home.

Receipts.

1886, Dec. 1. Cash balance on hand	$ 271.87
1887, Cash received from Sustaining members	500.00
Cash rec'd from annual subscriptions	144.20
Cash rec'd from sundry donations from individuals, churches, etc	1,170.55
Cash for board of some children	253.75
Total receipts	$2,340.37

Disbursements.

1887. Cash paid for provisions	$647.84	
Cash paid for Matron and help	695.92	
" " " clothing, shoes, etc.	60.07	
" " " furniture	44.27	
" " " printing and stationery	8.53	
Cash paid for printing report	35.00	
" " " board returned	2.00	
" " " sundry expenses, repairs, Dickens Reading, etc.	430.32	
Cash paid for fuel	10.50	
Total expenditures		1,934.45
Balance on hand		405.92
		$2,340.37

$394.82 on deposit in City Bank.
11.10 in Treasurer's hands.

$405.92 total balance.

Amount on hand contributed for fencing	$120.00
Amount due for stair case fire escape, etc. about	130.00
Amount on hand for running expenses	155.92
	$405.92

This certifies that the foregoing report has been compared with the books and vouchers and found correct.

CHAS. PLACE,
LEMUEL W. SERRELL, } Auditing Com.
Plainfield, N. J., Dec. 1st, 1887.

The President's annual address was read by Rev. Mr. Schenck, and was as follows:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND FRIENDS:—When one of the ancient Kings demanded of the Spartans fifty of their children as hostages they replied, "We prefer to give you a hundred of our most distinguished men." This tells the story of the value of the child to any nation in any age.

The hope of our loved America to-night is in her children; let them be earnestly and thoughtfully trained in ways of Christian living and they will certainly prove her most efficient safeguards against every form of threatening evil.

A noted Chicago minister in a recent address, said: "I have been working with might and main for many years at the reclamation of men and women. I now propose to turn all my energies to prevention; to take the old-fashioned route pointed out by the Creator himself, 'Train up a child in the way he should go, and when old he will not depart from it.'" What we all need especially to do in these days of our lives is to look after the children, these little bundles of habits that are daily crystalizing into men and women in our houses. Ruskin in his "Modern Painters" pictures, in his own marvelous way, the power of habit. Describing the mountains, he says: "Every one of these wonderful ravines and craigs is the expression, not of any sudden violence done to the monntain, but of its little habits persisted in continually. The feeblest, most invisible of the drops of dew among its dust were in reality arbirters of its eternal form, commissioned with a touch more tender than that of a child's fingers, to fix forever the form of peak and precipice and hew those leagues of lifted granite into the shapes that were to divide the earth and its Kingdom."

The first drops of water, the tiny grains of sand, shaped the destiny of the mountains. With your finger you may turn the streamlet, but a giant's strength is wastedin trying to stem the torrent. When Jesus, our Great Teacher, would tell the world through his disciples, of his coming Kingdom and its glory, he took a little child and set it in their midst. May we all belifted and helped to-night by this hour's consideration of the children set in our midst, so much needing help and care.

This work brings to us all who are interested in it, its own "exceeding great reward," in the sense of personal uplifting and help in all that is best, in thus striving to lift up those that are fallen.

When Sir Humphrey Davy was asked about his wonderful scientific discoveries, he closed the long list with this striking remark: "But of all my discoveries the greatest is Michael Faraday!" He saw in the apprentice boy the germ of the great chemist, and then set himself with enthusiasm to the work of educating and unfolding the germ until he saw its full realization. One who discovers in an obscure boy or girl the elements of a fine character and then with loving patience develops into power the possibilities he has found, has surely done a noble work.

With the closing of another year we have nothing new and strange to bring you. From year to year our work varies but little in its general history or details. During the year we have had thirty-eight children in the Home. To-night we have eighteen.

As one after another, the children go out of our Home into the individual homes we are always seeking for them, their places are filled by new comers. From all who have thus gone, we have the best reports. One of our boys who graduated with the highest honors of his High School class, is now learning telegraphy in a railroad office. He sent five dollars at New Years to the ladies of the Home as a token of gratitude for what had there been done for him, and expressed the hope that when his salary was raised he would be able to send a larger sum.

A family recently visiting this city brought with them the bright little ten-year-old girl they took five years ago from us. She is a regular attendant at the day and Sabbath school, and gives promise of being a help and comfort in the home where she is dearly loved, and where the expression "How did we ever live without Nelly," is not infrequently heard.

Our hands have been strengthened and our hearts made lighter many times during the past year by the unsolicited gifts of friends. Several companies of small boys and girls have sent us the results of their own little entertainments, planned and carried out largely by themselves. God bless these children. May they ever find in the joy of their own hearts, how far more blessed it is to give than to receive.

At Christmas tide our entire family were asked by kind-hearted friends to a Tree. Here every child found just what was wanted, passed a happy hour in singing their own little songs and in enjoying the delights of a generously spread table. Then came the stage ride home and the happy good night prayer of these little ones that God would bless this dear home, out of which he had called to himself the loved and only daughter.

Fruits and flowers have many times made our Home bright and our chilren happy. At Easter, through Mr. Pollion, we received from the Sunday school at Netherwood a donation of lovely flowers, with the request that every child should have a bouquet. If the generous givers could have seen the sparkling eyes and eager fingers of the children as each one received his or her share from the box, their own pleasure I am sure would have been more than doubled.

In another Sunday school twenty boys and girls paid fifty cents each, making themselves annual members. Can we not have hundreds of such members from our city Sunday schools?

In June we received our annual donation of twenty-five tons of coal, and a gentleman has during the year sent us two or three loads of wood.

Our City Editors, Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Shaw, Mr. Holmes of Adams' Express, and many friends whom we cannot name here, have shown us constant favors. Dr. Rushmore has kindly cared for our sick ones, and we have great reason for gratitude that we have had so little serious illness during the year. We still rejoice in the continued and faithful services of our most excellent matron and feel that we will not willingly let pass any opportunity of acknowledging our indebtedness to her for her motherly care of all our children.

The Thanksgiving season just passed has been made specially pleasant to the children by the generous gifts of many friends. One family who had kindly invited all of the children to a Thanksgiving dinner at their own home, were obliged to change their plan, and so sent the dinner to the children instead.

To the dear friends who have known us for eleven years and have proved themselves so true, we do not need to say a word in the way of bringing our claims on their sympathy and support, into notice. But to the "strangers within our gates" we cannot forbear saying, "Come with us and we will do you good." In these happy holiday times will you not all, friends of the dear old days, and those whom we would so gladly count as friends, remember not only the little ones in your own bright homes, but those left in the World with none to call them by dear names—the little ones to whom Christmas brings no joys—those pitiful little ones, pinched and cold and hungry, who look into the faces of our bright and happy children, and then think of their own sad lot.

Fathers and mothers, ten dollars will make anyone a sustaining member for one year One dollar an annual member. Will you pardon me if I say I am looking anxiously forward to the day when our regular memberships and donations will carry on our work, and our overworked ladies will not be obliged to solicit funds, or cudgel their brains so constantly for means of support.

This is your work as well as ours, and it is your *privilege* to give, remembering the Master you serve, who said "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

Our city officers would greatly lighten the burden and expense if they would, in the coming year, grant no license to the beer and whiskey shops of our city. These are the fountains from which flow the bitter waters of sin and shame: yes, of death, which are desolating so many homes in Plainfield. On a single block near the railroad there are three or four women (I grieve to say) who day after day and night after night make their trips sometimes four and five times daily, carrying pails and pitchers of beer—sometimes from three to twelve quarts each a day. It is fair to presume that they cannot drink all that they carry, and the suspicion is strong that unlicensed and illicit liquor traffic is constantly carried on in more than one part of the city.

One of these women has three or four dirty and neglected children. Our ladies have been more than once importuned to ask for the care of these. The woman and her husband, who have frequently been before our City Courts for disorderly conduct, are unwilling to give up their wretched children. If we had the much needed City Poor House, the parents could be *made to work*, and then the children could be cared for.

Mrs. Mulock Craik was led to write her last book, "An Unknown Country," which advocates the cause of the poor people in the North of Ireland, by overhearing the remark of a laboring man, who when rallied upon helping a little girl across the street, replied, "Ay, but a 'and'ul of 'elp is worth a cartload of pity." Said the lamented authoress: "It was to put a similar idea into the hearts of English people that I wrote this book on Ireland." The principle, however, is as broad as humanity, and there is plenty of room for its application on this side of the Atlantic.

Associate officers and members of our Home, as we gather again at the close of another year, I am sure it is with true gratitude in our hearts to Him in whose name we work that He who has so blessed our Home in all its departments, that he has given us all needed health and strength, and that sometimes when the day has seemed dark and stormy, at eventide we have found it light. Then let us consecrate ourselves to holy co-operation with Him, Christ working in us and through us, and we working evermore for Christ. Let us keep our eyes on the Pattern:

"It is better to weave the pattern of life,
With a bright and golden filling;
To do Christ's work with a ready hand,
And a heart that's always willing;

Than to snap the frail and delicate thread
Of our Christian lives asunder;
And then blame Heaven for the tangled web,
And sit and grieve and wonder.

Better to weave the warp and the woof
With the pattern of Christ's own choosing.
Winning the palm and the tuneful harp
And the crown with no fear of losing.

Then alike in the shade and in the sun
Let the shuttles of life fly fleetly:
And the Master's words; 'Well, faithfully done,'
Will fall on us daily and sweetly."

N. E. KIMBALL,
President Children's Home Association.
Nov. 25, 1887.

After the reading of the above report, Mrs. S. L. Stewart sang "The Lost Chord," and Rev. Mr. Richards was introduced as one of the speakers. In beginning he said he could place his hand on no better evidence of Christianity in this city than the Children's Home; in ancient times it was the custom to turn children into the street, when people did not feel able or care to support them, and they would be picked up and sold as slaves; as a rule in Ancient Literature children were not considered, but children's literature of the present day is apparently a new thing. In households the children are now recognized as the leaders, and by parents and relatives they are so considered. Victor Hugo says to reform a man you must begin with his grandmother; take a child in its infancy and there seems to be no limit to the good you can do for it. We have great encouragement in this work, judging from the reports just read, with so little cost to our city, our church or individually; many whose lives might have resulted in degredation and debauchery, have been started on the right road, by this useful institution.

Rev. Dr. Ketcham next spoke on "The charge of the child"—what shall we do unto him or her; study the child, he said, as an object in the universe, and the testimony of Heaven is a mother's love; the ruining of nations heretofore resulted from trampling down and suppressing the children; we have had a touch of it in this country where thousands of men died for the enlightenment of their fellow beings—Heaven's vindication of the mighty law. Heaven takes an interest in the feeble and a peculiar interest in the children; you had better take care of the children or you will be called to account; costly cathedrals amount to naught; it is the building up of characters. Ask a mother "does it pay to care for your child?" She will say "it certainly does." These ladies of the Home want your energetic interests in this work; these children are your charge, and it is your happy, blessed privilege to care for them; you ought to do it.

A collection was taken up for the Home and after the congregation joined in singing a hymn, Rev. Dr. Yerkes dismissed the audience with the benediction.

Graduated Commutation.

The Central Railroad of New Jersey has taken another step towards the complete gratification of its present large list of commuters and the attraction of a greatly increased patronage of that nature. A graduated scale of commutation rates has been adopted to go into effect on the first of January, whereby those who purchase commutation tickets successively each month will have paid but a few dollars more at the end of the year than those who buy the whole twelve months at a time.

The cost of the first three months is $10.50 each, but the cost of the last four months is only $5.25 each. The rates run during the year consecutively as follows: $10.50, 10.50, 10.50, 9.50, 8.50, 7.40, 6.50, 5.72, 5.25, 5.25, 5.25, 5.25—total $90.12. Then the year begins again at $10.50. Tickets for six and twelve months can be purchased in advance, as heretofore, at $54.05 and $85 respectively.

Democratic Convention.

The City Democratic Convention was held in the Democratic Association rooms on West Front street, Saturday evening. Mr. James E. Martine, as chairman of the last convention called the meeting to order at 8 p. m., and Judge Wadsworth was made Chairman of the Convention and William K. McClure, Secretary. The credentials from each ward showed a full delegation. Judge Wadsworth, upon taking the chair, made a speech which was warmly applauded. The Chairman announced as the first business in order, the nomination of three Councilmen-at-Large. The First and Second wards nominated Mr. Louis M. Stover; the Third ward named Mr. Joel B. Burnet and the Fourth Mr. Walter L. Hetfield. There being no other nominations, the above gentlemen were declared the nominees of the Convention by acclamation.

On motion, it was resolved to make no nominations for the offices of Assessor, Collector and City Treasurer. Other nominations were made as follows, and in each instance the nominations were made by acclamation:

For Chosen Freeholders—James Clark, Solomon Flaig.

Commissioners of Appeal—Jasper G. Cadmus, Jeremiah Manning.

School Trustee—Judge Nathan Harper.

The chair appointed Messrs. Martine, Stover and Saltzman as a committee to fill any vacancies which may occur in the ticket. The Convention then adjourned *sine die*.

CAUCUS NOMINEES.

DEMOCRATS CHOOSE CARLISLE FOR SPEAKER.

Mr. Reed, the Republicans' Choice--Contest Over the Doorkeeper--Blows Exchanged by Two Members.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—It was nearly eight o'clock Saturday evening when the democratic caucus was called to order by Representative Cox, of New York, who opened the proceedings with a speech in which he said that thirty years ago he first entered a democratic caucus, and he was now the only person present who was in the Thirty-fifth Congress. At that time the democratic party was dominant in the federal government. They had waited long for the return of that domination. At last it had come in the fullness of its strength not only with a democratic popular branch, but a democratic executive and with the leading States in the van of 1887 for a renewed ascendency in 1885.

When the chairman had concluded his address and announced that nominations for officers were in order, Representative Breckinridge, of Kentucky, arose, and, amid applause, nominated John G. Carlisle for Speaker. Upon motion of Representative Scott, of Pennsylvaeia, the nomination was made by acclamation.

Mr. Carlisle was brought into the hall and acknowledged the honor in appropriate language.

He expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred upon him and referred to the importance of the coming session of congress.

When Mr. Carlisle had concluded Representative Bland, of Missouri, nominated John B. Clark, the incumbent, as clerk of the house, and the nomination was confirmed without opposition. J. P. Leedom, of Ohio, was next named as a candidate for sergeant-at-arms by Representative Seney, of Ohio, and was likewise chosen without any opposition.

The next office in order was that of doorkeeper, and the friends of Messrs. Dalton and Milburn, the candidates respectively for postmaster and chaplain, anticipating no opposition to their nomination, and fearing the development of personal feeling in the contest over the doorkeepership, endeavored to have that nomination passed over so that the postmaster and chaplain might be chosen before the trouble began. But the champions of the several candidates for the doorkeeper's office refused to permit this change in the programme, fearing that a majority of the caucus could not be held until the contest was decided after the other officers had been chosen.

So the caucus proceeded to the selection of a candidate for doorkeeper. Mr. Donelson was nominated by representative Washington, of Tennessee; Mr. W. S. Raines, of New York, by Representative Bourke Cockran; Mr. A. B. Burt, of Mississippi, by Representative Berry; Mr. D. K. Reeder, of Pennsylvania, by Representative Ermentrout, and Mr. House, of Michigan, by Representative Tarsney.

As soon as the nominations were closed Representative Breckenridge, of Arkansas, began a vigorous attack on Mr. Donelson.

Mr. Taulbee, of Kentucky, defended the doorkeeper, as did Mr. Blount, of Georgia. The latter was repeatedly interrupted in his remarks by Mr. Breckenridge, and finally both of the gentlemen lost their tempers, and came together in a threatening manner.

In the course of a running colloquy between the two gentlemen, Mr. Blount remarked that Mr. Breckenridge was of course working for "his man." Mr. Breckridge indignantly denied that he had a "man," and declared that he was actuated in his action merely by a desire for the good of the democratic party. Mr. Blount reiterated his statement, and Mr. Breckenridge, turning toward him, said with warmth:—"The gentleman imputes to me dishonest motives."

In the excitement and confusion Mr. Blount misunderstood the remark, and, believing dishonorable motives had been imputed to him, struck his antagonist, who carried away with passion of the moment, returned the blow, striking Mr. Blount on the cheek. Before other blows could be passed the gentlemen were separated, and Mr. Breckenridge retired to the cloak room. The circumstances were then explained to Mr. Blount, who, instantly, upon learning of the misapprehension under which he had labored, r quested that Mr Breckenridge return to the floor in order that he might tender to him an apology for his action. Upon Mr. Breckenridge appearing, Mr. Blount apologized and they shook hands cordially.

After the excitement occasioned by this incident had subsided the merits of the candidates were again discussed.

Mr. Hurt was chosen for the office of doorkeeper and Rev. Mr. Milburn for the office of chaplain.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

Mr. Reed Nominated for Speaker and a Caucus Committee Agreed Upon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The republican members of the house of representatives held their first caucus of the session Saturday afternoon. Of the republican representation of 153 members, 117 were in attendance. None of the four independent members elect were present. Representative J. G. Cannon, of Illinois, and representative Louis McComas, of Maryland, were respectively re-elected to the positions which they held during the last congress of chairman and secretary of the caucus.

When these preliminaries had been arranged Representative McKinley, of Ohio, nominated Thomas B. Reed, of Maine, for speaker, and the nomination was confirmed by acclamation. Mr. Reed made a brief speech in which he counselled party harmony and predicted a republican victory in the next presidential election.

Nominations for the remaining officers of the next house were then made as follows: Edmond McPherson, of Pennsylvania, by Representative Bayne, for clerk; Daniel Shepherd, of Illinois, by Mr. Adams, for sergeant-at-arms; W. T. Fitch, of Ohio, by Mr. Butterworth, for doorkeeper; Charles H. Grey, of Dakota, by Er. Nelson, for postmaster, and Francis W. Thomas, of Indiana, by Mr. Browne, for chaplain.

The nominations were agreed to without debate, except in the case of Mr. Grey, over whose nomination some little discussion arose as to the propriety of recognizing the territories in the distribution of house offices.

After a long discussion as to the advisability of such action the caucus authorized the chairman to appoint a committee of eleven members, to be known as the "caucus committee," and to be charged with the duty of calling the caucus together whenever it may be necessary.

An Indian Kills His Guards.

PIERRE, Dak., Dec. 5.—Jumping Dog, the Indian who fired the Cheyenne agency a few days ago, was captured last night. This morning he attacked the guards and stabbed two of them to death with a pair of shears, and then committed suicide.

NOT EASY TO IMPEDE TRAFFIC

The New Switching System in Chicago Will Baffle Strikers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—There is no doubt that the present switching arrangement between the Union Stock yards and Transit company and the various railroads centring in that district known as Packingtown will be a success. It was only begun on Thursday, but so thoroughly has the work been mapped out that there can be no hindrance to rapid work. As a huge scheme it has no parallel in the country. There are hundreds of miles of tracks within a small territory and there is also a big force of employes. Formerly it was so that an engineer of a train would run his engine around a track and "lay to" in front of the engine of a road he disliked and that engine he would hold in one place for hours. During the great Lake Shore strike it was customary for engineers to block Lake Shore engines and hold them for hours. Now, however, there will be nothing of the kind. There will be a perfect union. Although the stock yards' company will employ over two hundred men and at least thirty engines, that number is far below the number of men and engines employed when the same business was transacted by the various railroad companies. Under the old system there were about three men to forty-seven engines. The present system has been agitated for years and would be continuing along in the same dubious rut still had it not been for the Lake Shore and subsequently the packing-house strikes.

For Commercial Union.

ST. THOMAS, Ontario, Dec. 5.—What looks a little like the commencement of a struggle or conflict of interest between Great Britain on the one hand and Canada on the other occurred here Saturday. The occasion was a great public meeting held under the auspices of the commercial union club, recently formed here for the purpose of promoting the closest trade relations with the United States. The purpose of the meeting was to hear addresses from Goldwin Smith and Erastus Wiman, of New York. After quoting Mr. Chamberlain's definition of commercial union that it meant Canada should give preference to every article of manufacture from the United States over manufacturers from Great Britain. Mr. Wiman proceeded to discuss the question whether the perfect development of Canada was inconsistent with British interests. He contended that under close trade union with the United States both countries would be enormously benefited, and that Canada would have an opportunity to make the same relative progress as had the United States.

She Wants the Convention Too.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 5.—A strong effort will be made by this city to secure the national republican convention. A strong committee will leave in a special car on Tuesday to meet the national executive committee, which meets in Washington on Thursday. Prominent members of this committee are Murat Halstead, Mayor Smith, Gen. Hickenlooper, Congressman Butterworth, Col. Whitfield, Charles P. Taft, C. C. Waite, E. O. Shelby, George B. Draper, Julius Balke, A. G. Corre, Orland Smith, and Dr. T. W. Graden. The committee will be met upon its arrival in Washington by a number of prominent republicans from other parts of the states who favor holding the national convention in Cincinnati. A subscription of $50,000 has been raised.

The Pacific Road Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Pacific Railway Commissioner E. Ellery Anderson, together with a corps of assistants, spent a couple of hours at the government printing office Saturday afternoon revising the final report of the commission. "We shall hand our report to the President on Monday," said he, "as that is the date designated by law. No synopsis will be made public at this time, but it is possible that the President may give it to the press before transmitting it to Congress with his recommendations, with a view to availing himself of any new ideas that may be developed by the criticisms of the public. This line has been followed to advantage in the past and may be pursued on this occasion."

Barnum Hires Mrs. Gilligan.

BRIDGEPORT, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Gilligan, the heroine of the adventure with the escaped lion from the Barnum show, has settled with Mr. Barnum for the loss of her cow. She agreed to accept $75 for the damage done by the lion. Before the money was paid the cow died. Mr. Barnum at once presented Mr. Gilligan with a Jersey cow from his large dairy farm. Mrs. Gilligan has signed a contract with the agents of the great show to travel and exhibit herself next season.

Herster's Will Broken.

EASTON, Pa., Dec. 5.—The Herster will contest, which has been before the court two weeks, was ended Saturday evening, the jury finding a verdict in favor of the contestants. Andrew Herster left an estate worth $200,000. He also left four sons and two daughters. All of whom at the time of their father's death were in middle life, having families of their own. The will devised nearly all the property to Andrew Jackson Herster, excluding the other heirs.

Col. Dudley Probably Out.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5.—The talk about Col. Dudley to be chairman of the republican national committee is not seriously regarded here. One of his most intimate friends and business associates says: "I will hazard the guess that Dudley will have nothing to do with it. He has already reaped all the political honors obtainable in that direction; besides, he is building cable roads, and you will that he will not accept the position."

An Addition to Chicago's Population.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Judge Garrett Saturday morning dissolved the injunction restraining the county board from declaring the territory of the town of Hyde Park annexed to the city of Chicago. The people of this suburb voted to come in last month but some property owners carried the case to the courts, but it has availed them nothing. The portion annexed will add about 60,000 inhabitants to the population of Chicago.

Blinkey Morgan's Partner Convicted.

RAVENNA, O., Dec. 5.—John Coughlan, indicted with Blinkey Morgan for the murder of Detective Hulligan of Cleveland, has been found guilty of murder in the first degree. Morgan was convicted a few days ago, and is now in the penitentiary under sentence of death. James Robinson, another of the gang, will be placed on trial today.

Philadelphia's Crematory.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5.—The Philadelphia crematory is almost completed. The cost, not including the ground, is $50,000. There are niches in one of the rooms to hold the ashes of the dead in urns. The furnace is 8 feet wide, 10 feet long and 8 feet high. The retorts are 9 feet long, 3 feet wide and 2 feet high.

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ANARCHY NOT YET DEAD

CHICAGO ANARCHISTS STILL ACTIVE AND REVENGEFUL.

The "Arbeiter" Zeitung and the "Alarm" Still Defy the Law and Want Blood. Shevitch to Go to Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Is anarchy dead in Chicago? The police say, and, in all probability, may think it is.

Yet, beyond hanging four men, keeping indictments suspended over the heads of a dozen others and preventing the carrying of red flags in the streets, nothing has been done to eradicate it.

Chicago is still the hotbed of socialism, and in this city socialism is synonymous with Russian nihilism. There is a small strip of middle ground, but it is so small that very few stand on it, and even those fellows who occupy this limited territory were the foremost in the attempt to breed apprehension regarding the effect of the hanging of the men on November 11 last.

The disciples of Bakunin here are many, but Louis Lingg was not the first among them by any means. He was the most prominent, undoubtedly, but this was because of his rashness and indiscretion.

Daily the *Arbeiter Zeitung*, which holds as sacred the memory of its departed editor, Spies, inveighs against the law and its enforcement. This vile sheet, which is published in the shadow of the West Twelfth street Turn Halle, wants revenge. The *Alarm*, Parson's paper, also wants revenge. So does Mrs. Parsons. The *Arbeiter Zeitung*, which for a time after the Haymarket massacre was weak and sickly, is now strong and flourishing. It has a good advertising patronage and its subscription list is constantly on the increase. Does this look as though the principles of anarchy had been abandoned in Chicago? The most assiduous readers of the *Arbeiter* are the police, and Captain Schaack in particular. The Captain is the man who ran the great conspiracy to the earth, and among the pleasant paragraphs which strike his eye in the perusal of his favorite publication are those which bear the information to him that he is marked to die by violence.

Across the street from the *Arbeiter-Zeitung* office, in the Twelfth street Turn Halle, still stand the tables which two years ago resounded to the raps of the beer glasses in the hands of wild-eyed, unkempt and dirty reds who vociferously cheered the utterances of Sam Fielden, as dirty and unkempt as themselves; of Parsons, who, professedly the friend and champion of his auditors, secretly despised them. He wos well brought up and came of good family, and such association was not entirely to his taste. Indiscretions—such as his marriage, for instance ostracised him, and he preferred to be a leader among those for whom he had a contempt than a suppliant among those who by birth and breeding he was fit to associate.

Around the galleries in this hall, when the internationals were wont to make merry, were formerly hung the banners bearing the mottoes of this famous organization:—"Our civilization—the bullet and the policeman's club." "Private property is public robbery," &c. Some of these banners are now in the hands of the state; others are hidden away and carefully cherished as emblematic of the social revolution that is to come. From the time of the throwing of the Haymarket bomb until the execution, Mrs. Parsons kept carefully hidden a red flag which she had often carried through the streets, and this was folded in the form of a sash and thrown across the body of her husband as he lay in his coffin with the marks of the hangman's rope around his neck. It is around his body yet, and will remain there until it crumbles into dust. This does not look as though anarchy were dead in Chicago.

The calling of Editor Shevitch to Chicago to take the place of Currlin does not look as though it was the intention of the publishers of the *Arbeiter Zeitung* to make the paper any the less radical than it has been. Currlin, who came from St. Louis, was mistrusted and openly called a spy, though his language was as violent and intemperate as that of Grottkau or Spies could have been. Thorefore he was kicked out and for some months the paper has been running without a head.

Shevitch can say, through his paper in Chicago, what he would not be allowed to say in New York, and he can say in his speeches what would not be safe to utter in the great metropolis. The conviction of Most is a revelation to the anarchists of this city. Men have never been called to account in Chicago by the courts for what they have said or written, no matter how incendiary or inflammatory, though the charge is made by their friends and adherents that Spies and Parsons were not hanged for conspiracy to murder, but for what they said and wrote. Grottkau and Cuorlin and George Francis Train have said as severe things in Chicago as did Most in New York, but the penalty visited upon them was a warning.

The effect of Most's conviction will be more keenly felt in Chicago than in New York. Speech is freer here than there. Most becomes a martyr, for the red is not particular as to how dirty the clay may be out of which his martyrs may be made. Forty-nine per cent. of Chicago's population is foreign, and fifty per cent of that is socialistic. The strongholds of the faith are in the northwestern, western and southwestern sections of the city and at the stockyards.

There are twenty thousand or more men at the stockyards who are imbued with the spirit of socialism. They would readily take advantage of anything that would aid them in their struggle for the eight-hour day, for they are determined to have it. They have torn themselves loose from the Knights of Labor, whose head they cordially hate for having interferred with their last strike, and ordered them back to work. Many of them are bloody, brutal fellows, made so by the nature of their business, and their surroundings and the idea bruited by the anarchists of a destruction of the present order of society, which to their minds is incorporated in the persons of a few beef and pork packers, who refuse to accede to their demands, together with a division of the spoils, is a most acceptable one.

The groups of the internationalists continue to meet, though Capt. Schaack says he knows everything that is done. This is hardly so, because the membership of the groups being limited now, an intruder is easily spotted. There are meetings of the outer and inner groups, and to the latter the men under Captain Schaack's command are not invited.

Anarchy is willing to wait. As things are now it must wait, but it will gain by this delay. Gradually the labor factions are drawing the line; some of them will have nothing whatever to do with socialism; to others, all is fish that comes to their nets. The true anarchist does not believe in the ballot, as witness the remark of Editor Lum when the subject of the amalgamation of all the elements in the labor party was broached to him. "These idiots want to still further strengthen the chains which bind them," he sneered; "the ballot is a fraud."

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

ONE thousand coke ovens are being built in Birmingham, Ala.

THE sheet iron trade is in good condition, and likely to continue for an indefinite time.

THE miners of Alabama have made application for admission to the Miners' National Federation.

THE Roller Chain Belting Company, Columbus, Ohio, has purchased a tract of three acres of land, and will put up shops at once.

WESTERN machine shops were never so full of orders at this time. Every thing in the way of building material has been ordered away ahead.

IRON is being much more largely used for roofing and tile purposes than ever. A Cincinnati firm is running night and day on tiles, shingles, iron frames for roofs and iron-ore, paints and cements.

KENTUCKY mining and manufacturing interests are being stimulated by the influx of a great deal of Northern and foreign capital. Chief attention is now being given to the development of lumber and mineral resources.

THE tendency in our workshops is to make more complicated and delicate machinery. Inventors are apparently reaching the limits of improvements, and are preparing the way for some radical improvement or departure from existing methods.

A GREAT many Americans are constantly going to Europe to seek work. All of the German rolling-mill owners have formed a combination and have divided the work up by per centages. A commission is now arranging a uniform scale of prices.

THE United States Government officials at Watertown Arsenal have tested cut and wire nails, showing adhesive resistance as follows: In white pine—cut nail, 976 lbs.; wire nail, 139 lbs. Yellow pine—cut nail, 1,016 lbs.; wire, 264 lbs. White oak—cut nail, 2,003 lbs.; wire, 780 lbs.

TWO NEW seams of valuable coal have been discovered at Westville, near Pictou, N. S., one eight feet and the other ten feet thick. The output of coal from this district is rapidly increasing, a great deal of the coal going to Montreal. Three large steam colliers are plying in this trade.

SO GREAT is the demand for anthracite coal-cars that lumber cars are being fenced up with boards and used. Much slaty coal is going to market, and more or less of it is subject to dockage or return. In the urgent requirements considerable refuse coal is finding its way into market.

TOPEKA, Kan., will expend $250,000 on the sewer system. A St. Louis fire-brick concern has just been awarded a contract for 105,000 feet of sewer-pipe for the former city. It will lay twenty miles. The same company has an order for 400,000 bricks for a blast furnace at Sheffield, Ala.

THE new Cairo bridge across the Ohio river is to have two spans 518 feet each, seven 400 feet each, and three 250 feet each; total length, 4,670 feet. It will be fifty-three feet above high-water mark, and will cost $2,500,000. It will take two and a half years to build it. It will be the wonder of the West.

ENGLISH locomotive builders have been compelled to adopt the American pattern in many respects in order to control their continental traffic. The ideas of American mechanics are permeating foreign work-shops, and the stubborn adherents to old methods have been obliged to admit that much is to be learned on this side of the water.

THE stockholders of the Toledo, Ann Arbor & Northern railroad are paying their workmen on the profit-sharing system, precisely as if the sum they earned per month was so much stock in the company. The Pillsbury mills, of Minneapolis, are conducted upon the same plan. All efforts of the kind seem to be yielding satisfaction to the employing interests.

HIGH-SPEED engines are in great demand. Machinists are straining every energy to secure a little advantage over competitors. Western machinists seem to be leading the way on small engines, but in the East engines of immense capacity are made with more economic results. Mechanical appliances of American make are crowding out foreign makers because of the greater adaptability to specific requirements.

AT Cleveland, Ia., the coal is very low where the shaft is sunk, but it it said that there is plenty of good coal around it. The company is sparing no expense to make it a model shaft. The price of mining advanced 10 cents per ton on the first of this month; that makes 85 cents per ton. Entry, per yard, $2.25; drivers, $2.10 per day; trappers, 70 cents per day, and all other work in proportion.

ENORMOUS companies are being organized to purchase and develop coal, iron and ore properties in the South, and to erect foundries, furnaces and mills. Another million-dollar company has been started at Chattanooga. Another company has bought 854 acres of land and will start a manufacturing town near the town of St. Joseph, Tenn., and call it Iron City. San Antonio is to have a large machine shop, and Jacksonville a large boiler and forge shop. Mechanical enterprise is making great headway in the South.

A BIT OF HISTORY.

An Interesting Incident Connected with Kossuth's American Visit.

Governor Louis Kossuth, wife, three children, teacher and secretary—Hungarian refugees—fleeing from the Austrian Government, were received on board the United States ship Mississippi as guests of the United States, September 10, 1851, accompanied by one General, four Colonels, three Lieutenant-Colonels, four Majors, ten Captains, three Lieutenants, one chaplain, one surgeon, seven soldiers, eight wives, one mother-in-law, nine children and one servant—in all sixty persons. That the party might be properly entertained, Captain J. C. Long, commanding the vessel, appointed, by order, Assistant Surgeon James Hamilton caterer to the mess, consisting of the officers of the vessel, Kossuth and his party.

Hamilton, says the Washington *Critic*, expended about $15,000 for supplies of various kinds, including a limited supply of wines and liquors, for the trip home. The vouchers for the expenditures he transferred to Purser George H. Ritchie, and upon settlement of Ritchie's account $2,232.79 was suspended, for explanation. The matter was referred to the Secretary of the Navy, Hon. William A. Graham, of North Carolina, who, upon proper explanation, recommended that the amount suspended be allowed to the credit of the assistant surgeon. Instead of the clerk, who should have settled the account, giving Hamilton credit for the amount the vouchers were sent to Ritchie's account, and Hamilton remained charged with the amount from June 30, 1852, until August 19, 1887, when, in settling old accounts that have remained open on the books for years, the matter was called up and settled, as it should have been at the time. In 1879, Hamilton was reported as a defaulter, upon a list made up in the Treasury Department. Hamilton died September 6, 1854. If the address of his nearest relatives was known, they would be advised that Lieutenant James Hamilton was not a defaulter, but, on the contrary, his accounts are balanced.

THE FRENCH PRESIDENCY

PRESIDENT GREVY'S SUCCESSOR ELECTED.

M. Sadi-Carnot Takes the Reins of Government--Irish Members of Parliament in Jail or Hiding--Foreign News.

PARIS, Dec. 4.—M. Sadi-Carnot is elected president of the French republic, having received 600 votes from the national assembly in congress at Versailles. At 6:35 p. m. MM. Ferry and Freycinet withdrew their names in favor of Sadi-Carnot, who was leading at that time with a strong hand.

The latter's election was then assured, and the next ballot gave him the majority that elected him

Immediately upon the announcement of his election, the chamber was filled with cries of "Vive la Republique!" and the greatest enthusiasm was manifested.

After congress was opened yesterday afternoon the balloting commenced.

During the taking of the first trial ballot for a candidate for the presidency, M. Pelletan made an address to a number of deputies, who congregated outside the chamber advocating the election of M. Sadi-Carnot, which he said would unite all the republican votes.

Several deputies rejoined that it would be the first time the majority had lowered to the will of the minority, and added that the attitude of MM. Brisson and Sadi-Carnot was unworthy of republicans. They urged them to withdraw in favor of M. de Freycinet, who, after M. Ferry, had obtained the most votes.

On the third trial ballot, 505 republican senators and deputies of the Left voted. The vote stood:

Ferry	179	De Freycinet	169
Sadi Carnot	162	Brisson	52
Scattering	3		

The decisive ballot of the joint congress was as follows.

Sadi-Carnot	616	De Freycinet	5
Lemaire	186	Appert	5
Ferry	11	Fayrt	1

The result is apparently satisfactory. Paris is all animation. There are no signs of disorder and everything indicates that there will be none.

After the final ballot, Mr. Le Royer, president of the senate, attended by the ministers, went to his private apartments where M. Sadi-Carnot was waiting, and said to him:

"I have the honor to inform you that the national assembly has elected you president of the French republican. I congratulate you in the name of congress, and desire to add my personal compliments."

M. Rouvier also tendered his congratulations.

The newly elected president replied, thanking the gentlemen for their congratulations and expressing his gratitude to the assembly, "who," he said, "in uniting their suffrages in my favor bore witness to the desire for peace and concord with which republican France is animated. My dearest wish is that this great day may remain present in all minds and hearts.

"It signifies that the representatives of France can be united and that their common effort can and must secure a constitution assuring an active, stable government capable of bestowing upon the nation liberty at home and dignity abroad."

M. Sadi Carnot then received General Lavocat, commandant at Versailles, and his staff, and afterward met and shook hands with the representatives of the press to whom he said he would do all in his power to tranquilize the public mind.

The new president and the ministers then took carriages and drove to Paris, the former going direct to the Elysee to take formal possession. He remained there but a short time, when he proceeded to his own residence, in front of which was assembled a multitude to tender their joyful greetings. In response to their cheers he appeared at a window and said:

"I give you my hearty thanks, citizens, and beg you to prove by your regard for order that you are worthy to have a republican government."

At the conclusion of the president's remarks the people cried "Vive la Republique!" and quietly dispersed.

IRISH LEADERS IN JAIL.

It is Expected that Forty Leading Nationalists Will be Locked Up.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The visit of Lord Hartington and Mr. Goschen to Dublin seems to have braced up the nerves of the Irish executive, and there has been much show of energy this week. Mr. T. D. Sullivan, lord mayor, legislator, journalist, poet, has been sent to prison. Fortunately for him, he was sentenced by a magistrate, who, although bound to carry out the letter of the law, is independent of the Castle, and Mr. Sullivan has been spared the degredation of having exchanged his civic robes for a felon's garb. The brothers Timothy and Edward Harrington will be tried at Tralee before a government magistrate, at whose hands they expect no consideration.

The government, by arresting the secretary of the national league, thought, of course, to throw the league's maching out of gear, but they will soon find they have made another ludicrous mistake. Altogether there are about a dozen members of the Irish parliamentary party in jail or in hiding. The nationalists expect the total to reach forty before the end of next week. Mr. John Dillon is still lecturing daily in England to enthusiastic audiences, determined to put in some good work for the cause before he is arrested, which will be as soon as he returns to Ireland.

Socialists Warned.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The police authorities have warned the socialist federation council that the order prohibiting any demonstration in Trafalgar Square or procession in the streets leaging thereto still remains in force, and that any attempt to defy it will be suppressed. The radical clubs disapprove such demonstrations, and it is probable that none will occur.

Death of the Primate of All Ireland.

DUBLIN, Dec. 4.—The Most Rev. Daniel McGettigan, D.D., Roman Catholic archbishop of the diocese of Armagh, and primate of all Ireland, is dead.

More Bombs Found.

ELIZABETHPORT, N. J., Dec. 4.—Great excitement was caused last night by the discovery of a bomb standing endways against the door of Charles Itgens' grocery store in that place. It was some time before some men mustered up courage to go within a hundred feet of the bomb. Finally they went close enough to it to see that it was a piece of gaspipe, inclosed in a wooden tubing. One end of the pipe was plugged with paper, while the other was open. It contained a black, sticky substance. The bomb was taken to police headquarters, and Chief Jennings had it placed in the yard at the rear of the station. It will be carefully examined Monday. Mr. Itgens says that he does not understand why the bomb was placed at the door of his store. The police are at work on the case.

A MUTINOUS SAILOR SHOT.

An American Captain Arrested on Complaint of the Japanese Government.

BOSTON, Dec. 5.—Captain M. L. Howes, of the bark Freeman, which arrived at this port yesterday morning from Cebu, was arrested by the United States marshal for the murder of a Japanese seaman, Kahidka Kitunusa, while the vessel was on her way from Cebu to Batavia. The murder is said to have been justifiable, as the sailor had tried to take the captain's life.

The captain expected the arrest and made no resistance. When the party reached the United States court Captain Howe said:

I have been on the water thirty-one years and this last trip was the hardest I ever took. I would not go through that experience again for a mint of money. There I was alone on the Java sea. The steward was the only other civilized man on board, and I was the only navigator. My crew had acted strangely, and this man in particular had given me lots of trouble. On August 6 he tried to interfere with my management of the crew. I slapped his face and told him to mind his own business. He grabbed me around the waist and tried to throw me. I broke away from him and he ran into the forecastle. I went after him to put him in irons and he ran at me with a marlinspike. Then I shot him. I had to do it in order to save myself and my vessel.

I took the man aboard at Yokohama. I was short of hands and put into that port to strengthen my crew. My first and second mates had left me, and my steward was the only white man left. I sent to several places, but could not find substitutes for them. He was a powerful fellow but was only five feet three inches high. I waited as long at that port as I dared and then I cleared for Cebu to discharge my cargo. I thought I might find a mate at that port. I was unfortunate in that matter, and was obliged to start home without any officers. It was a big undertaking, and this is the result. I ought not to have tried it.

THE BURGESS PURSE.

To Be Given the Volunteer's Designer Just Before Christmas.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 5.—The big Burgess testimonial started here nearly two months ago has not taken form yet. The committee has collected over $10,000, which is held until the city government gets ready to move. As the city election occurs one week from next Thursday it is not likely that anything will be done until after that date.

Several members of the committee were seen yesterday, and from them it was learned that a banquet would be given to Messrs. Burgess and Paine, at Young's hotel, a few days before Christmas, when the money would be presented. A suggestion that the $10,000 be converted into gold coin and sealed up, in a fac-simile of the America's cup, and given to Mr. Burgess, meets with general approval.

The city government will issue a beautifully bound volume of the speeches at the Faneuil hall reception, and the speeches and toasts at the banquet as a memorial of the occasion. This will be an octavo volume of about two hundred pages, containing full page hiliotype prints of Messrs. Paine and Burgess, Commodore Forbes, Mayor O'Brien, the committee of arrangements, the Volunteer, Mayflower, and Puritan, the America's cup, and several other scenes pertaining to the international races of the past four years.

Philadelphia Anxious for the Convention.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5.—A movement was started Saturday afternoon by William R. Leeds, Hamilton Disston and Judge Ahern to have the next national convention held in this city. They will submit a petition to the republican committee next week signed every republican congressman in the state, and many outside of it, by Senators Cameron and Quay and by a host of influential business men. Assurances will be given by hotel proprietors and all railroad companies here that satisfactory rates will be offered during the meeting of the convention. Especial stress will be laid upon the fact that since 1872 every republican national convention has been held in the west. Finally, a bonus of $75,000 will be offered for the committee's use in defraying expenses.

For Violation of the Factory Laws.

TROY, Dec. 5.—In the recorder's court at Cohoes Saturday morning four French women charged with violotion of the factory laws in allowing their children under thirteen years of age to work in mills, which violation was alleged to have been committed prior to the passage of the act of May 25, 1887, were discharged. The trial of eight other women, whose alleged violation of the law was committed since the passage of the above act was adjourned to December 10. The act of 1887 makes a violation of the factory laws a misdemeanor. Before the act of 1887 was passed, a violation of the factory laws was not a misdemeanor.

A Bank President Suicides.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 5.—When Irving Dunlap entered the bathroom of his house in Fayette park yesterday afternoon he found the dead body of his father-in-law, Oliver T. Burt, lying upon the floor. In the right hand was a small bulldog pistol, a bullet from which had passed through his head. Mr. Burt was one of the leading citizens of Syracuse. He had suffered from melancholy for some time. He was president of the Central City bank and the Lake Ontario Steamboat company.

New York State Canvassers Delayed.

ALBANY, Dec. 5.—The state board of canvassers met and issued certificates of election to Charles Tracey and James T. Belden as members elect of congress. They made no progress with the state canvass, owing to the confusion of names and initials of candidates on county returns. They will remain in session next week. If the Albany county board has not canvassed the senatorial vote by Friday, the state board will adjourn and no certificates for this district will be issued.

No Beer at the Anarchist Show.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—The Anarchist Sangerfest committee called upon the mayor Saturday morning to plead for permission to supply beer at the Battery D demonstration next week. His honor declined to alter his previous decision. Subsequently they offered to detail fifty of their number to see that everybody was sober, but the mayor dismissed them by inquiring who was to keep the fifty sober. The deputation then left.

A Petroleum Well in Texas.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 5.—While drilling an artesian well six miles east of this city Saturday petroleum was struck at a depth of 300 feet. The oil burns freely and also possesses fine lubricating qualities. Several barrels have been drawn, and the indications point to a large deposit. The discovery causes excitement.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, 11.42, a.m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23; p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, 11.42, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 7.14, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9 29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, 11.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

7.14, a. m.—For Flemington.

8.05, a. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, 11.42 a.m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6 05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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CARNEY-M'AULIFFE MATTER.

Stake-Holder Ormond Refuses to Give Up the Stakes to Either Party.

BOSTON, Dec. 5.—James F. Ormond, the stakeholder of the Carney-McAuliffe affair, said in regard to Carney's appeal for the stakes: "I have absolutely no authority to act. The articles say that the stakeholder shall pay the money to the winner on the decision of the referee. They do not authorize me to act as referee or to appoint a referee. If both parties should mutually agree upon me, and should leave the appointment of a referee in my hands, that would be another thing, but until they do agree I shall hold on to the money and let them fight it out among themselves.

"I must say, though, that I admire the way the little Englishman is acting in this matter. He comes out fair and square. He wants to fight and is willing to concede everything. He says, "Give me a battle or the battle money,' for there is nothing underhanded in his part of the business. I wish the other side would come out as squarely as he is doing. It wouldn't take long to settle the question of the championship then. But you can tell the public that I shall hold on to the stake money until both sides agree upon a referee; then I'll abide by his decision."

Coal Mines Looking About for Help.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The striking Lehigh Valley coal miners are doing everything that they can to compel the Lehigh Valley coal company to submit to their demands. The company's coal is now under an official boycott by the Knights of Labor and even the company's stores that have heretofore been furnishing the miners with clothing, food and household supplies generally have been boycotted as well. In this city a large amount of Lehigh Valley coal is used. It is the favorite coal of the housewife and always commands a higher price at retail than the other companies' coal. Now the miners want to extend the boycott to the engines in factories of various kinds. All the engineers are organized into the Eccentric Engineers' association, and they have been asked to refuse to work on engines burning Lehigh Valley coal. Heretofore the engineers have refused to boycott the coal and they do not want to do so now. But little of that coal is used in the stationary engines and if the engineers consent to boycott, but few men will be affected.

Bucket Shopkeepers Indicted.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—The grand jury Saturday indicted the following bucket-shop keepers: Lee Hunt, William E. Aiken, H. C. Wiley, James L. Starbuck, F. E. Theiana, George W. Wiggs, Willia Skakel, James A. Murphy, William Riley, David Pulsifer, Adolph Lichstein, John H. Weaver, H. C. Winchester, and Kennedy R. Owen. Capiases are in the hands of deputy sheriffs, but it is thought they will not be served on the indicted persons before Monday.

San Francisco Wants It.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—The committee in charge of the movement to have the next national democratic convention held in this city has received reports from the secretary to the effect that $20,000 has already been pledged for the purpose, and that but little effort will be necessary to raise the full amount to pay all the expenses of the convention. Favorable letters have been received from 21 members of the National Executive Committee.

Appealing Against a State Tax.

BOSTON, Dec. 5.—A few days ago a decision in favor of Massachusetts was rendered in the case of the commonwealth against the Western Union telegraph company in a suit to recover $10,000, being the amount of taxes imposed on the Western Union telegraph company in 1886. The Western Union has now appealed to the supreme court of the United States. The Western Union is fighting a similar tax in other states.

Dynamite Found in Their Pockets.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 5.—Burglars blew open the safe in the general store of C. W. Smith, at Earlville, Madison county, early yesterday morning, and stole nearly $300. The village was alarmed and a hot chase resulting in the capture of two rough-looking men, who had considerable money about them. A dynamite cartridge was found in one of their pockets. They were taken to Earlville, arraigned and sent to Morrisville jail.

Disease Among Horses.

CONNEAUTVILLE, Pa., Dec. 5.—A disease has broken out during the past week among the horses in this vicinity, and almost every horse is suffering from an epidemic somewhat resembling the epizootic of a few years ago. As yet no deaths have been reported, but it is almost to get a horse which is able to work.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

Leprosy is said to exist in Rathsay, Maine.

At noon Saturday John Varson, aged 28, while coupling freight cars, at Wilson Point, Conn., was crushed to death.

George W. Ritter tried to kill himself in a Cincinnati court Saturday morning. He preferred death to trial for embezzlement.

Sydney Clarke, of Lawrence, Kan., is enroute to Washington to renew the fight before Congress for the Oklahoma Territory.

Another victim of the explosion in the Edison storage house, died in Philadelphia on Saturday. His name is Jessie McArdle.

Charles Meyers was arrested in Danville, Va., Saturday, for circulating the notes of the defunct Mecklenburg, N. C., bank.

Wifely unfaithfulness was the cause assigned by T. Hamilton for killing the mother of his children in Helena, Ark., on Saturday.

Bishop Scarborough, of New Jersey, has appointed a committee of clergymen to investigate the scandal at Durham, Conn., implicating Rector Otis A. Glazebrook, of Elizabeth, N. J.

James J. Blain Saturday secured from Samuel Schaffer in Kansas City, Mo., real estate amounting to $220,000, being the award in a lengthy litigation which has cost the contending parties $50,000.

Charles E. Horne, who is charged with having thrown vitriol in the face of Miss Meehan, of New York city, was arraigned in Haverhill, Mass., Saturday morning and held in $2,000 bail. He pleaded not guilty.

Michael Higgins, a diver in the employ of the Southern Pacific Railway company in New Orleans, Saturday, smothered to death through the signal rope and the air tube becoming twisted. He was under the water hunting for a box car.

The remains of what had once been a man of handsome appearance were found on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad track Saturday. A coroner's jury at Havre de Grace, Md., exonerated the railroad company from all blame, though nobody seemed to know how the man had been killed.

Weather Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6, 6 a. m.—The weather indications for New York, New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are: warmer, rain, preceded by fair weather in the southern portion of Eastern New York, fresh to brisk southerly winds, veering to westerly.

WAX NOSES AND EARS.

Curious Artificial Members and How They Are Made.

The Cork Leg a Myth—What It Costs to Wear False Limbs—A Boy with a pair of Rubber Hands—An Old Toper's Proboscis.

"Do you ever have requests to make queer artificial limbs?" was asked of a manufacturer, who had a wooden leg prominently displayed in a show-case on Broadway, by a New York *Journal* reporter.

"Oh, yes," was the reply, "we have all kinds of visitors, some of whom want very odd things. Only a short time since a man dropped in who wanted me to make him an artificial nose. It wasn't in my line, however, as I can only make legs, arms and fingers, so I was compelled to decline his request. There are many curious things about my business. For instance, if a man only loses his foot he is compelled to wear an entire false leg, just as if he had lost his leg up above the knee. If he loses his hand he is compelled to wear a false arm, because otherwise it wouldn't work right and couldn't be fastened securely. With a finger, however, it is different, as we can generally fasten that on so that no one could see the difference."

"Do you make cork legs?" was asked.

The manufacturer laughed heartily as he replied:

"No, I do not; and I never knew any one who did. The cork leg is a fable, and I suppose had its origin in that famous song about

Mynheer von Dam,
The richest merchant in Rotterdam,

who kicked a poor relation out of doors and in doing so fractured his leg so that he was compelled to wear one made of cork that finally ran away with him. Anyway, I never saw a cork leg myself. All artificial legs and arms are made of light wood, such as willow, basswood, or something of that sort. The wood is covered with raw hide in order to preserve it, and the top, as you see, is made of leather nicely padded, where it fastens on the stump of the real leg."

"What is the cost of artificial limbs?"

"An artificial leg usually costs seventy-five dollars, although we have made them as high as one hundred and fifty dollars. An arm doesn't cost quite so much, and fingers are less in proportion."

"How long will the limbs last?"

"We guarantee a leg to last five years, although I have known one to be worn for fifteen years. If a man is careless and gets his artificial foot wet it will soon rot, and then he will be compelled to have a new one fastened to his leg. We can put a new foot on just as easily as a shoemaker puts a sole on your shoe."

"Do you ever sell ready-made artificial limbs?"

"Oh, no," responded the manufacturer, "every one has to be made to order, because no two men are exactly alike. When a man wants a limb we measure him very carefully for it, as it must be exactly the same size as his natural limb, or he would feel awkward. It is made just as near the same shape of his natural limb as possible, and he soon gets accustomed to it."

"You mentioned requests that you sometimes had for odd limbs."

"Yes," replied the manufacturer; "there was the man I mentioned who wanted the nose. I have seen several artificial noses, but never made any. They are usually made of wax or plaster of Paris, and are generally fastened to the face by a pair of spectacles caught over the ears. They generally have rather a queer appearance, and don't look much like the natural article. They are also very expensive, as there is a great deal of work on them, especially in the coloring. The object, of course, is to make them as much like the natural-skin color as possible. I knew an old army officer who lost his nose in the war and had an artificial one made. He was a very hard drinker, and he used to go to the man who made his nose every six months and have it colored up a little more, to make it look natural, as he said.

"I also knew a man," continued the manufacturer, who lost an ear, and had one made of India-rubber. It was a beautiful piece of work, and was very delicately tinted the exact color of a human ear. No one could have told the difference, and very few people knew that he wore an artificial ear until one day he dressed in a hurry and put it on wrong side before. He came downtown with it that way, and created a great sensation before he discovered his mistake.

"The queerest case I ever heard of," continued the manufacturer, "was of a man who lost his lower jaw and had it replaced by an artificial one composed of rubber and wax. By an arrangement of springs he could use it almost as well as an ordinary jaw. Then there is the case of that boy at Belleville, N. J., who lost both hands in a machine last spring. His friends took up a subscription for him and had two hands made for him. From the wrist up they were made of ash and the hands were made of rubber, covered with kid gloves. I understand that he can use them nearly as well as natural hands and pick up a pen and write with it easily.

"I tell you we can replace almost any part of a man except his head, and perhaps in another century they'll be able to do that."

LASSOING A SWAN.

A California Cowboy Turns Bird-Catcher with Great Success.

Frank Copple is chief vaquero on the Rancho Chico, and his old horse, Buck, with almost human intelligence, is known to all the boys on the rancho. His picture is thus drawn in the Chico (Cal.) *Enterprise:* Frank, assisted by his horse, has lassoed every thing from a wild Western steer to a cinnamon bear, and the other day set the top feather in his cap for the world to compete for. General Bidwell has in his deer park a large pond in which a graceful white swan proudly floats. Some days ago the bird escaped and all efforts to capture him, proved futile. Shooting him through the wing was finally suggested, when Copple happened along, and being told what was the matter, he volunteered to capture the bird without injury to it.

He was told to go ahead, and off he started after his swanship, which, when he saw Frank, arose in the air, and sailed out to Sandy Gulch, Frank following on his horse, but no way could he find of catching the bird until the coiled riata at his side suggested an idea novel and startling. Why not lasso the bird? And just that quick was the sixty-foot horse-hair lariat unwound. What favored the plan most, the bird flew only from thirty to forty feet from the ground; but another difficulty presented itself—Frank could not throw his riata from a sitting position. So, speaking to old "Buck," he sprang to his feet in the saddle and started at a full gallop after the bird, which arose and began flying.

Now he is under it, with the swan forty feet in mid-air. Once, twice, three times the rope circles around his head, and is thrown with a quick, unerring aim upward and outward. It cuts through the air and settles gracefully over the wings of the swan. The struggling bird was drawn to the ground and taken to the park.

SCIENCE OF SPELLING.

Advantages of the Phonetic System Over the Method Now in Use.

Many practical experiments, many times repeated, writes Charles A. Story, in the Chicago *Inter-Ocean*, have already established the fact that with the science of spelling we are able to teach as much spelling in three hours as has heretofore been taught in one hundred hours; teach and learn as much spelling in three days as has heretofore been taught and learned in one hundred days; make as much progress in learning to spell the English language in three weeks as has been accomplished heretofore in one hundred weeks, and reach a more perfect result at the end of three months than has heretofore been possible at the end of one hundred months. In other words the use of the science of spelling saves ninety-seven per cent. of the time and labor heretofore wasted in learning to spell.

As there can be but one multiplication table that is absolutely perfect, equally applicable in all lands and latitudes, so there can be but one table of letters absolutely perfect, equally applicable in all lands and latitudes; and as there can be but one science of numbers absolutely exact, however varied the propositions may be, so there can be but one science of spelling absolutely exact, however varied the words may be. Science is universal. A system of spelling that could be used in spelling English words would not be a science unless it could also be applied to other languages, and spell all the words with absolute precision that fell from the lips of man.

The science of spelling does not stop to inquire the language of the speller, nor the meaning of the word he spells, nor its history, but contents itself with spelling the word to be spelled with absolute accuracy.

It is not a complicated or difficult science, as many might suppose, but so simple and so easy that it is a matter of astonishment that some scholar had not brought it to the attention of the people five hundred or one thousand years ago. Although the result of twelve separate discoveries, and many inventions, each of the discoveries and inventions are so simple that any man of common sense, with close attention to the subject, might have made them long ages ago. Spelling, writing and reading must, from necessity, be the business of children—young children; and the science is adapted to the capacities of young children.

Small children should learn to spell small words first—easy words, of one syllable. And they should learn to spell these small words by classes, all the words in any one class being spelled in the same way, so that when the children have learned to spell five or six words of one class, they can spell all the other words of that class as rapidly as the teacher can pronounce them. All the words of the sixth class, for instance, are spelled with three letters—a consonant, a vowel and a consonant—and there are 1,140 English words in that class. The writer has instructed children, six or seven years old, so that after thirty minutes they were able to spell all the words of that class, accurately and correctly, as fast as the teacher could pronounce words for them to spell.

When very young children, four, five and six years old, who have never been to school, and have never been taught—or mis-taught—make an attempt to spell they give to the letters their natural names, and from the lips of these very young children we have picked the names of all the letters.

We have four short rules for handling this entire science. They are printed in this column, and occupy about one inch of space. One rule is for naming vowels, another for naming consonants, another concerning silent letters, and the other for spelling the words.

Rule 1—The sound of any vowel is the name of that vowel.

Rule 2—The sound of any consonant, followed by e, as in me, is the name of that consonant.

Rule 3—Never use any silent letters.

Rule 4—Name each letter in the word, and then pronounce the word.

These are the only rules needed. They are wide-reaching in their effect, and hold the speller in contact with nature, science and common sense. Children four or five years old always use these rules when they try to spell.

If the American people desire to preserve the English language and its literature, and make it the language and literature of the earth, they must consent to spell their words in accordance with the laws of science, and place them on paper in a decent and common-sense garb, and they have no time to lose in doing so.

If this science of spelling can be used merely as a step-ladder, leading the younger children up to the mystery of the old system, it will enable them to master the old system two years sooner than they master it now. The introduction of this science into the kindergartens and primary schools will save many millions of dollars in annual taxation for school purposes, and give the children a more general and better education while younger in years.

Benevolent people, who wish to benefit mankind, or do something for the welfare of those who are coming, can invest their money in introducing and spreading this science with the certainty of good results, as this science alone will be of more real advantage to the poor, to the illiterate, to the oppressed, to the children of toil, than the combined efforts of all the missionaries—home and foreign—upon the globe.

There is no longer any question or doubt as to the merits of the science, its simplicity, accuracy, neatness or wide-reaching, practical value. It has been practically tested, in a small way, in the presence of so many competent judges, that all doubt has disappeared.

We asked the Forty-ninth Congress for an appropriation of $50,000 to pay for renting and seating a school-room in Chicago large enough to seat a thousand visitors, and keep the said school open to the public for one year, so that they might see, hear and examine the science in practical use. The bill never reached a vote. Before the people can approve, they must see and hear. The old system of spelling is an old, clumsy, stage-coach upon a muddy road; the science of spelling is a train of palace cars upon a well-ballasted steel track. The old system is a leaky canal-boat, drawn by horses, confined within the mud-banks of a shallow stream, used in only one language; the science of spelling is an upper-cabined steamship, navigating the wide ocean of human speech, combining strength, durability, safety, speed and comfort. It is well worth all that it may cost. Let the American people consider, and then act.

Millions for Religion.

The English Church receives in tithes about $200,000,000 a year. Of this amount $5,000,000 is expended in hospitals, schools, church building, etc., and the remaining $15,000,000 goes to pay the salaries of the clergy.

FOOD FOR NOVELISTS.

Leaves From the Life of an Actress Now Residing in Florida.

In one of the suburbs of Jacksonville, says a letter to the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*, sands a little unpretentious dwelling, which has for an inmate a woman who has had a most checkered career. Rumors of this woman's experiences reached a reporter, and he determined to investigate the truth of them. A short walk brought the writer to the house, and a knock brought the object of his search to the door.

She was a woman who had passed the prime of life, and her face in her youth must have been beautiful. It was now furrowed with deep lines of care and sorrow. Her once raven black hair, which was wound carelessly around her head, was streaked with silver, and though her hands were small and delicately shaped, the shrunken flesh told too plainly a tale of hunger and suffering. There she stood; her eyes, which could at times flash fire as some memory of former wrongs flitted across her mind, turned with a startled expression on the intruder, whose curiosity had led him to her home. But as he doffed his hat and greeted the strange woman with a kindly "good morning," the flashing orbs filled with a softer glow, and with the bow of a Duchess she returned the salutation, and invited the newspaper man inside.

The visitor managed to explain his errand with difficulty, and even then, by the flash of the black eye, he saw that she resented the intrusion. But after a short talk the thread of the conversation was gradually led back to herself, and she gave the following sensational account of herself:

"I am of English birth. My father, who once bore the honored title of the Earl of Hereward, but who was then an officer in the guards, wooed and won my mother, at that time a very popular actress, playing at Drury Lane Theater. The marriage, or rather mock marriage, for my father heartlessly deceived my mother, took place in a little country village near London, and as my father said he feared his father, the old Earl, would disinherit him if he heard of his action, he prevailed on my mother to live in retirement, promising that as soon as possible he would declare to the world the true state of affairs. I was the sole issue of this union, and month after month passed, and the plausible guardsman prevailed on my trustful mother that the time was not ripe yet for a disclosure. It was soon the same old story.

"At first no one could have been more devoted than my father; then, as time wore on, his visits to our little home became less frequent, and finally ceased altogether. My mother, in deep distress, sought the presence of the old Earl, and then told him the whole story, but he refused to believe her, and drove her from his door. In her anguish she sought her husband's regiment, but found he had exchanged and gone to India. Selling the baubles that he had given her in the halcyon days of their early happiness, she took me with her, and we sailed for the gorgeous East, but found, alas, too late, that her truant husband had fallen in an affray with some mountain tribes in the interior.

"In her despair my mother took poison and died, leaving me in a little hill station, where an officer's wife adopted me, and cared for me as her own child. I was sent home to England, and, after being educated, concluded to follow my mother's profession and become an actress."

In vivid word language she then depicted her own life. A rich Russian noble deceived her, and when she resented his wrongs he sent her to Siberia on a false charge of being a Nihilist. Her escape and the vicissitudes she encountered before she reached America would fill a volume, but were told with a singularly truthful air. She came here some months ago, and has eluded observation until now. She keeps perfectly secluded, and evinced a desire to be unknown. So far, not a dozen people here know of her residence or her history. Certainly truth is stranger than fiction.

HOW TO GET CLOTHES.

The Peculiar Business Carried On by a Shrewd New York Jewess.

Not a great many New York women know about the umbrella bargain shop, says the New York *World;* it does not advertise itself, and those who are in the secret are too shrewd to spread the secret and thereby lessen their own chances for that triumph dear to the female heart. One woman, at least, whose income is limited, makes that bargain shop stand her in good stead, and manages, by the aid of a skillful seamstress who comes to her by the day, to dress better than women with twice her income. The shop itself is carried on in about this fashion: Downstairs is an umbrella shop, where a little old Hebrew does a meager business. Above there are three or four rooms, where his wife, a little old Hebrew lady, carries on the real business of the establishment. In cedar closets, ranged all about the walls, a gorgeous costumes in various stages freshness and good repair, shoes, slippers, bonnets, furs, great boxes of long gloves, underwear, vinaigrets—every thing that women wear. The old Hebrew lady gets hold of these things in all sorts of ways. Many of them are wardrobes of people who have had to go suddenly into mourning; others are sold out each season by women who want to get rid of all their old things and get something towards the bills for the new, and others, again, perfectly fresh and unworn, have a curious history.

There are women of wealth whose husbands will pay unlimited milliners' bills, but will not give them ready money, and when they need the latter they simply order home costumes, bonnets, furs or gloves, the bill for which their husbands will pay, and the goods are sold to the old bargain-maker for ready cash, though far below their original value. These the afore said skillful woman buys at a bargain and by the aid of a seamstress remodels, refits and makes over the dresses for her own wear. She gets gloves in the same way sometimes, and bonnets, and manages to drive many a good bargain with Mme. Umbrella. Second-rate actresses also buy from the old woman, and, with a little relooping and furbishing, manage to look very stylish and presentable in these second-hand clothes. Some of the slim ones buy the gowns of fat dowagers and find enough material to make two dresses from one. Meanwhile, Mme. Umbrella is making a fortune.

Fate of a Homesick Tot.

J. J. Roscoe, of Lookout, N. M., moved his family thirty miles into the wilderness, and while building a house lodged them in a tent. Their only child, a little four-year-old girl, said that she wanted to go home, and several times strayed away and was brought back. But one day she could not be found, and after searching for her four days her father came upon her dead body. She had starved to death.

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BY THE WAY.

—The total amount of taxes collected thus far on this year's levy, is about $18,000.

—To-morrow's PRESS will be published early in the day, containing the full election returns.

—An annual sale of fancy articles will be held in the parlors of the Seventh Day Baptist church, to-morrow evening. The object is a benevolent one.

—Among the list of petit jurors for the January term of court, drawn at Elizabeth this morning, were Messrs. Richard Merritt, Jas. E. Huntington, Chas. B. Van Winkle and Wilbert N. Rowe of this city.

—"It is more blessed to give than to receive," saith the prophet. Generally speaking there's a blessedness in both. Collier *gives* his customers the benefit of close bargains and *receives* their approving patronage in consequence.

—A carrier pigeon belonging to Mr. Richard Stevens of Grant avenue, was found frozen to death, last Wednesday morning, under the window-sill of a house on Fifth street. It had been caught on its way home in the severe cold storm of the night before.

—Young men whose educational advantages have been limited and who desire to avail themselves of the opportunity afforded by the Y, M. C. A., to study English branches, are cordially invited, if members of the Association, to attend the class and if not members, to join as speedily as possible.

—Purchasers of tickets to Mr. Leo Daft's lecture in Music Hall on Thursday evening, can exchange the same for reserved seats at the usual places by the payment of 25 cents additional. The sale of tickets up to the present time has been very large, and the success of the undertaking is already assured.

—The "Kemble" has its hands full when it undertakes the rendition of so strong a play as "Ours." Yet that well-known association of amateurs wrestled with it again, last evening at Music Hall, and again failed. The Knights of Pythias for whom the entertainment was given, however, achieved a financial success.

—A small audience assembled in Voorhees' Hall, Bound Brook, last evening, to witness an exhibition of sparring, interspersed with singing and dancing. The exponents of the "manly art," (especially the feather and light-weights,) displayed much science, and were quick and graceful in their movements. The singing and dancing was also good. In consequence of the small attendance, particularly those of the feminine gender, no ball was held, as was anticipated.

M. E. Church.

The Rev. Dr. Van Meter preached from 1st Timothy, Sunday, "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance that Christ Jesus came into the World to save sinners, of whom I am chief." The preacher spoke of the beauty of Raphael's painting, "Madonna and her child," and of the efforts of various artists and engravers to copy or reproduce this wonderful work of art, and while they have all failed to bring out all the excellencies of the picture, they have brought out the essential idea. And so with this text of Scripture, men may take different views concerning what it teaches or implies, but all are agreed as to its essential qualities. He then argued that as we have accepted the great truth of Christ coming into the World to save sinners, so we, *i. e.* the church, should spread the truth to all the nations of the earth, to do which she must be sustained in her missionary work. An earnest plea was then made for liberal contributions on the part of the congregation to the worthy object. At the conclusion of the sermon, the regular annual missionary collection was taken, which netted a handsome sum. Next Sunday Dr. Van Meter will exchange pulpits with the Rev. Mr. Phillips of Brooklyn.

Narrow Escape from Drowning.

Freddie Perrine, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Perrine of Stiger Alley, had a narow escape from drowning about five o'clock yesterday afternoon. The little fellow was playing with a companion named Peter Bunworth on the bridge which spans the raceway at that point, when he claims to have been pushed from the bridge into the water. The water in the race was nearly even with the race bank, and the boy floated down stream fully twenty-five yards, before he was discovered. Mrs. David Squires and Margaret Bunworth rushed to his rescue and with considerable difficulty succeeded in dragging him from the water. The child was unconscious when carried into the house, and the process of resuscitation was at once begun. Neighbors lent their assistance, administering stimulants and rubbing the boy with warm cloths. Finally he regained consciousness and when a PRESS reporter called at the house this morning, the little fellow was playing about as usual. During the excitement Mrs. Perrine fainted away and Dr. Hedges was called in to attend her. The bridge over the raceway in Stiger Alley is a dangerous structure, and should be repaired at once. The expenditure of a few dollars would erect railings on each side of the bridge, and prove a safeguard to pedestrians who are obliged to cross over the bridge.

The Charter Election.

Today the annual charter election is taking place in this city. Up to the noon adjournment the vote in the several wards was very light, but the vote this afternoon it is expected will swell the total number several hundred. The vote on the extra school appropriation is also small, but the general opinion seems to prevail that the request of the Board of Education will be granted. As usual, at each of the polling places, considerable electioneering is done, and in the First ward there is great activity by both Republicans and Democrats alike for the election of their candidate for Councilman. But few persons are willing to predict the result, and all unite in declaring that whoever is elected at least in the First ward will receive but a small majority. The total vote up to one p. m., in each ward was as follows.

	Regular ticket.	School purposes.
First ward....	163	149
Second ward..	163	143
Third ward...	97	83
Fourth ward..	154	94
Total.....	577	469

Better Serve His Sentence.

With the question whether Lewis Van Nest will get another trial, arises one as to whether that would help him most. Corporation Counsel Marsh, who has acted with the Prosecutor for the State throughout the late trial, says: "Mark my words, there will be no writ of error granted." Meanwhile, pending a decision in the higher court, the accused must pass a year in custody, and should his appeal be unsuccessful his term of imprisonment would only commence at the end of that time. Then should a new trial be granted, he is liable to be convicted under another section of the statutes, and after thus putting the County to so much additional expense, would undoubtedly receive sentence for a much longer term.

Warren Union Mission.

There were four hundred and two persons present at the Sunday school in the afternoon. In the absence of the Supt. Mr. M. M. Dunham had charge of the school. The evening service was largely attended. The service of song was full of spirit. The devotional exercises was conducted by Mr. A. C. LaBoyteaux who dwelt on the subject from Romans 1-16. The leaders remarks were full of interest throughout. After the usual time had been given to the congregation for voluntary remarks and prayer a number embraced the opportunity. The invitation was then given to those who desired to take the first step towards becoming Christians to manifest it. Two persons responded, prayer was offered for same and the meeting closed.

The First Philharmanic.

The solo-vocalist engaged for the first of the Philharmonic Concerts—this evening—is Miss Jennie Dutton, the leading church singer of Chicago. She is a pupil of Mme. Rudersdorf, and also studied under Signor Vannuccini, of Florence, and Randegger, of London. She is said to possess a rich, well-trained mezzo-soprano voice of extended compass. Miss Dutton was introduced to New York audiences last season by Mr. Thomas at his popular concerts; has sung with the Brooklyn Philharmonic Society and was the soloist at the recent concert of the Philharmonic Club at Chickering Hall.

Fell From a Scaffold.

A workman named John McDonald, fell from a scaffold at the Pond Tool Works, this afternoon, and was badly bruised about the head and body, but no bones were broken. He was taken at once to Muhlenberg Hospital.

An Old-Time Reform Club Meeting.

In spite of the damp and threatening weather Sunday night, the auditorium of Reform Hall was well filled with a very attentive audience, and among them was quite a number of young men, who were evidently new-comers, as their faces were unfamiliar to the officers of the Club. On the platform was Pres. French, Rev. Dr. Ketcham, Rev. W. E. Honeyman, Dr. Utter, Ethan Lanphear, Judge Harper, Capt. Wm. B. Ostrom and George Angleman. The choir, under Freeholder Vanderbeek, was uncommonly large, and furnished unusually good music. As Rev. Mr. Honeyman was suffering from hoarseness, Dr. Ketcham was requested to conduct the devotional exercises, after which he gave a most excellent and interesting address. "Total abstinence and legal prohibition," said the Doctor, "must be our motto. The waste caused by the drink habit is enormous, and the misery and woe unspeakable. What are we as individuals to do? First of all we should keep away from temptation." While in Europe he saw some captive chamois, and greatly desired to see them wild, but he naver did. Why? Simply because they carefully avoided man's traps and went up to almost inaccessible peaks. So we should avoid the traps set to destroy us and go up into the pure atmosphere of sobriety, where the good are, and where we could hope to have God's blessing. In the next place we should attend to our character, for we must look at the inside as well as watch the outside evils. No man can indulge his appetite with safety. It has wrecked hundreds of thousands. Then, too, no man is safe in selfishness. We must help others and thus we would strengthen ourselves. The Church of England has two sections of temperance people, the one being moderate drinkers, and the other total abstainers. Whenever they send out anyone to influence a drunkard, it is always a total abstainer, for he alone can accomplish something. A boy despised a minister who smoked on the sly, and men always despise those who drink themselves, and then ask others to abstain. A drunkard said to a tavern keeper: "For Heaven's sake don't sell to the young and destroy them, but sell to me, for I am lost, and you can't harm me now." We should save the young, and the young should try and save themselves. Will you not to-night sign the pledge and begin the good work? He saw a company in a yacht at Beach Haven going out to rescue drunken Joe Shores, when there was only a suspicion of danger. Shall not men and women work to save those about us who are *known* to be in danger? After a hymn had been sung Dr. Ketcham made an appeal for signers, and was ably seconded by Pres. French. Soon ten were secured, when another appeal was made and ten more came forward amidst much applause and enthusiesm, and finally eight others signed, making twenty-eight in all. Rev. Mr. Honeyman and Capt. Ostrom shook each of the signers by the hand, and gave them some encouraging word, welcoming them to the Club. Everybody seemed rejoiced at the success of the meeting, and they were particularly rejoiced at the fact that so many young men had signed the pledge and dared to do right. President French announced that Col. Geo. W. Bain would lecture for the Club Jan. 1st, and also that there would be a free entertainment in the Hall next Thursday evening, consisting of readings and music. At 9.10 o'clock the audience was dismissed with the benediction, pronounced by Dr. Ketcham, but they dispersed slowly, as all seemed anxious to talk over the grand meeting just ended, and express their joy at the result.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mr. A. P. Wright, C. E., who established the plant of the Plainfield Electric Light company, has accepted the position of Superintendent and General Manager of the Springfield, Mass., Electric Light Co., at a salary of $5,000 a year. While he was engaged in that city as a representative of the Westinghouse people in superintending the introduction of that Company's new system of incandescent lighting, he became as popular with all whom he met as he did here and everywhere. In consequence, the proper inducement was made to tempt him from his late employers.

Toast and Tea.

A joyous reunion of the P. H. S. Class of '77 is to be held at the residence of Mrs. Beers, on Seventh street during Thursday evening next, The affair will be conducted according to the most approved form of students' reunions, with all the true inwardness of a long list of toasts—drunk, probably, in beakers of tea.

—The Executive Committee of the State Board of Agriculture has decided to hold the annual meeting on the 24th, 25th and 26th of January. Among the interesting subjects to our farmers that will be discussed are the milk question, the present road laws, the protection of our sheep and poultry from dogs, the prevention of forest fires and the cultivation and protection of our forests.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

President Marsh called the City Council to order at 8:15 last evening, all the members being present but Mr. Waring. He came in later. His Honor, the Mayor, and Corporation Counsel Marsh were also present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Under the heading of "Presentation of Petitions and Communications," Mr. W. R. Cock, on behalf of the Board of Governors of Muhlenberg Hospital, petitioned the Council for a lamp at Plainfield avenue and Third street. The matter was referred to the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee. Sundry applications for hack, cartmen and peddler's licenses, were presented, referred, and subsequently granted.

A communication was received from Charles Hand asking permission to cut down and grade in front of his property located on what is known as "Midway," between Netherwood and Leland avenues. Referred to Street Committee.

The following petitions referring to street lighting were presented and referred to the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee: From property owners at Netherwood asking for an extension of the electric light service; the lights now in use in that territory are the old naptha burners. From W. C. Kelly, J. T. Fritts and others asking for electric lights to displace the present system of lighting on Grant avenue between Front street and Eighth street; from L. J. Denton, John Wanamaker and others, asking for more lights on Prospect avenue; from Seymour Hait, Hon. Chauncey Shaffer and others asking for a substitution of electricity for gasoline on West Seventh street, between Plainfield avenue and Lee place; from L. J. Denton, C. D. Van Vliet and others, asking for extra lights on Hillside avenue between Broadway and Prospect avenue; from R. M. Stelle, Geo. H. Burgess and others, residents on Central avenue, petitioning Council for incandescent lighting on that thoroughfare between Eighth street and Mr. Geo. H. Burgess' residence.

CLAIMS,

With the announcement by the chair of the presentation of claims, Mr. Dumont made a motion which prevailed, that the Clerk hold over until the next meeting all bills excepting those for police services, salaries, labor and poor claims. The following were presented and referred: Police—C. W. Dodd, $87.50; G. W. Grant, $60; T. McCue, $60; P. Lynch, $62; W. R. Mattox, $19.15; J. Noel, $12.75; P. J. Flannigan, $6.50; Chas. Giese, $3.75. Streets—Geo. M. Angleman, per itemized bill, $649.50; Jones & Co., $10. Salaries—John Ulrich, $75; J. H. Platt, $25; John Johnson, $42.66. Sundry poor claims amounting to $304.75. The President called from the table and included in the list the claim of C. A. Lehman, agt., for the Hall & Wood Ballot Box Co., $100.

The Mayor communicated with the Council, nominating, in conformity with the ordinance recently adopted, the following persons to constitute a Board of Health: Messrs. S. A. Ginna, L. W. Serrell and Dr. Penfield, to serve until Feb. 1st, 1888, and Messrs. Geo. W. Rockfellow and O. B. Leonard to serve till a year from that date. The nominations were confirmed, all voting aye, excepting Mr. Voorhees.

The City Judge presented his final report, which was upon motion of Mr. Dumont, received and filed. It was as follows:

CITY JUDGE'S REPORT.

To the Honorable, the Common Council of the City of Plainfield.

GENTLEMEN:—There is no provision in the city charter or general ordinance of the City of Plainfield requiring the City Judge to render to the Common Council a statement of the transactions and doings of the City Court, but mindful that he is a servant of the people and holding by their suffrage, a position of trust, I take this opportunity, through your honorable body, of presenting to them a brief account of my official acts, and render a statement of my stewardship as City Judge of Plainfield, since June 2d, 1885, when first I assumed that office: 445 persons were brought before the Court, out of which number 388 were male and 57 females. There were committed to the County Jail, 82 male persons and 22 females. In the rest of the cases fines were imposed, and in some cases sentence was suspended, or parties discharged. During my term of office, I have collected fines and costs to the amount of one thousand, nine hundred and thirty-one dollars and forty cents ($1,931.40). Out of this amount there has been paid out to informants on violation of city ordinances, $198. For general expenses, commitment fees, juror's fees, subpœnaes, fees for City and County Courts: From June 2 to Sept 1, 1885, according to report submitted, $22.20; from Sept. 1st, 1885 to Dec. 1st, 1885, $38.85; from Dec. 1st 1885 to Dec. 1st, 1886, $67.20; from Dec. 1st, 1886 to Dec. 1st, 1887, $79.20. Leaving a balance of $1,529.95.

The following amounts have been paid into the city treasury by me:

1885.	
July 28th	$130.00
Dec. 12th	150.00
1887.	
Jan. 3 st	$327.85
June 15th	511.10
Dec. 5th	357.00
Total	$1,475.95

Pursuant to the resolution passed by your Honorable body in June last, authorizing the City Judge to retain $50 to meet necessary expenses in the interim, I will state that I hold that amount on hand now. During the two and one-half years prior to my term, my predecessor paid into the city treasury the amount of $481.50, and his predecessor paid in for three year's collections, $157.25, making a total of $538.50 for 5½ years' fine.

From these figures it can be seen that about $1,000 more was paid into the city treasury in the past 2½ years, than was paid in in 5½ years previous. I quote these comparisons not so much as a matter of personal pride in having collected so large an increase over my predecessors, but leave the matter of speculation for my successor. Whether or not the ends of justice cannot be better satisfied in imposing fines sufficiently heavy enough to prevent a repetition, if possible, of the offence for which the guilty party may have been punished—a nominal fine does not punish, it invites a repetition. A sum to make the offender believe that it costs something to violate an ordinance, should always be exacted, and a magistrate who is governed by such a rule, is seldom called upon to pass judgment twice upon the same offender. Again, I believe a wiser course is generally adopted by the imposition of a fine, than sentencing to a direct commitment. The doors of our jails are too frequently opened for persons who merely commit trifling offences, and often a person who is committed to the County Jail for a trifling offence, becomes so hardened as to make him a subject for future watchfulness. The actuating principle which should guide a Judge, ought to be to impose fines judiciously, and only when such a means fails to accomplish the object, should harsher methods be adopted.

And now, gentlemen, in concluding this, my final report to your Honorable body, permit me to allude to a matter which undoubtedly will and ought to be done. There are many rumors afloat concerning my intended resignation from the Judgeship. Some have intimated, that in case I should present my resignation to your Honorable body this evening, that it would be in the interests of a certain candidate, other incline to the opinion that it would be discourteous to this Honorable body, if I should resign, and my resignation to take effect on January 10th next, because this Council ought to elect my successor. And still others claim, that if I do not resign until the incoming Councilmen shall take their seats, that I am actuated to do so to satisfy other aspirants. I am determined that no act of mine shall be misconstrued, and after due deliberation, although not a matter of preference, I have concluded to continue in office until sworn in as a Representative in the next Legislative Assembly, when under the constitution my present office will be declared vacant, thereby allowing this matter to run in such a channel of natural events, and not be charged with any motive or preference for a certain candidate, but permitting your succeeding Council to take such action in the premises, as to them shall seem meet and wise. I am

Your Obedient Servant,
JOHN ULRICH, City Judge.

Mr. Cox said he thought the foregoing was intended as Judge Ulrich's resignation, and while it was being read he prepared the following resolution which he would be pleased to offer, provided he was present when the resignation was accepted:

Resolved, That, in accepting the resignation of Judge Ulrich, the Common Council desire to give expression to their appreciation of the intelligence, courage and ability with which, during his incumbency of the office, the duties of City Judge have been performed.

The reports of the Overseer of the Poor, Collector and City Treasurer were presented. The former was held by the clerk until the next meeting and the two latter reports went to the Finance Committee. The Collector's statement showed the following

RECAPITULATION:

Total State and County Collections	$5406.18
Cost and Int. State and County	1.78
Judgments	54.46
Library	291.97
City	2659.57
Poor	439.47
Cost and Interest less School int.	246.68
Total amount taxes collected and paid City Treasurer	9100.11
City School tax Deposited to credit Board of Education	2351.78
Interest on school tax deposited to credit Board of Education	58.78
Total am't dept. to credit B'd Ed'n.	2410.56
Total receipts for Nov. 1887	$11,510.67

JOHN JOHNSON, Collector.

Chief Dodd sent a communication to the Council, tendering his resignation. It was accepted and the Chair appointed Messrs. Dumont and Cox as a Committee to draft suitable resolutions appropriate to the retirement of Chief Dodd.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Under this heading the above claims were returned as correct (with the exception of the bill of the City Judge, which was returned for correction) and they were transferred to the auditing committee. Mr. Taylor, from the Finance Committee, reported back with the Committee's approval, the Collector's and Treasurer's statements for last month. They were filed.

Mr. Bowers from the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee, reported on the above petitions for extra street lighting. He said that in order to comply with the requests of the petitioners it would require 74 extra incandescent lamps, at a cost of $1,263; of this number 24 gasolene lamps could be displaced by incandescent lamps, making a total additional cost to the city of $738. The Committee recommended the extension of the circuit to Netherwood and the location of eleven or twelve lamps on South avenue, twelve on Belvidere avenue and eight on Broadway. The report was received and the recommendation adopted. The Committee also recommended the location of lamps on the following thoroughfares in compliance with the above petitions: On Central avenue, between Eighth street and Geo. H. Burgess' property, ten lamps; on W. Seventh street, between Plainfield avenue and Lee place, not more than fourteen lamps; on Hillside avenue, five; on Prospect avenue, six; on Grant avenue, seven. The report was received and the Committee's recommendation in each case was adopted, all voting aye.

Mr. Cox reported back the communication from the Mayor, referring to the removal of snow and ice from the sidewalk, recommending that the same lay on the table. It was so ordered.

Mr. Dumont from the Street Committee, presented a certificate and map of the macadamizing on Eighth street. It was received and filed. He also reported back Charles Hand's petition and made a motion with a recommendation to grant the same, provided the work did not interfere with a free flow of the surface water. The recommendation was adopted.

The same Councilman presented "An Ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled an ordinance relating to the Street Commissioner of the City of Plainfield, approved Feb. 28th, 1882." It was read twice, adopted on its second reading and ordered engrossed and duly advertised, preparatory to its *final passage*, third reading.

Mr. Taylor offered a resolution, fixing the rate of commission for the Collector at two per cent. It was adopted. He also offered a resolution in effect that the Collector be authorized to send printed postal cards to all property owners who have not yet paid their taxes, thereby informing them that they are liable to become delinquents after Dec. 20th, and that additional costs will be added after that date. The resolution prevailed.

Corporation Counsel Marsh was requested, by resolution, to report at the next meeting at what time the City Assessor should report to the Council, so as to conform with the time of reporting to the County Board of Assessors.

Mr. Wilbur called up the ordinance relating to the expiration of liquor licenses. It was ordered engrossed and duly advertised.

Mr. Cox submitted a resolution approving of the contract with the Electric Light company. It was adopted.

Mr. Dumont made a motion which prevailed that the clerk be requested to prepare a list of all unfinished business, and present the same at an adjourned meeting on Monday evening next, to which time the Council adjourned after hearing the report of the Auditing Committee, and authorizing the payment of the above claims.

Down Goes Coal.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—You have well said "Stop the coal extortion," but the extortion is being stopped by natural causes which always win in the end. The wholesale coal market in New York has "slumped" and sunken badly—the decline being in the last two or three days about one dollar per ton, and is likely to be kept on the run until last Summer's prices are reached. The cry of "strike in the high region" has spent its force, for the reason that the other regions have increased their out-put to over *One hundred thousand tons* per day. The fact is, there is more coal being mined now than at any period in the history of the coal trade. The late high prices and the *present* high prices in Plainfield were regulated by the big and little monopolists in combination. As a matter of fair dealing, it is hoped that the dealers in Plainfield will discount the present fall in coal and be as ready to *reduce* their prices in consequence of the general decline, as they were to advance their prices upon the slightest pretext. (The price in Plainfield today is $6.50 per ton.)

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

Free Masonry to be Exposed.

A prominent lady of Newark will appear at the entertainment to be given by the Berean Bible Class, at Cutter's Hall, West Front street, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 7th. This lady, it is alleged, knows all about Freemasonry and their mysterious doings in their lodges. She says the order has not been exposed since the *time of the Mohicans*, but she will do so at this entertainment, providing those who are present don't tell it outside, so the Freemasons will hear of it. This lady will also describe the condition of her husband on his return home on the night after his initiation in a Masonic Lodge. Tickets 25 cents. The proceeds to be devoted to paying for a new organ just purchased by the Class.

A Boy Injured.

A school boy named Darby who lives near the Dog Corners was running along West Fifth street about one o'clock Friday afternoon when he stumbled on a projecting stone, and was thrown headforemost to the sidewalk striking his head on the hard stones. A gentleman who was passing at the time went to his assistance, and found him unconscious. Blood flowing from an ugly wound on the forehead and the left temple. He was taken to the residence of Chas. H. Randolph's residence on Madison avenue where the wounds were dressed.

—In another column, a correspondent who knows what he is talking about tells why coal should drop in price.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS

BOTH HOUSES ORGANIZED WITHOUT A CONTEST.

Mrs. Cleveland and Friends in the Gallery of the Senate--Flowers in Profusion for Both Senators and Congressmen.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Yesterday the Fiftieth Congress completed its organization without the least discord.

THE SENATE.

Not for many years has the senate chamber presented so lively and animated a scene as it did when Chaplain Butler stepped forward at noon to deliver the opening prayer of the session. By 11 o'clock every seat in the public galleries was taken. Senators' families and friends holding

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tickets to the reserved galleries also began coming early, and long before noon the only vacant seats to be seen were the president's pew and a few benches in the diplomatic gallery. A few minutes before 12 there was a stir in one of the reserved gallaries and Mrs. Cleveland made her way into the president's pew. With her was Mrs. Folsom, Miss Kingsford, Mrs. Gilder and her two young sons, and Miss Severance. On the floor of the chamber the scene was not less interesting. Senators, new and old, began coming early and everywhere were animated groups shaking hands and exchanging greetings. Party lines were invisible for the time being, and republicans and democrats hobnobbed together in the utmost harmony. Flowers were everywhere. On the presiding officer's desk was a beautiful floral horseshoe and star and a large double stand of cut flowers. Senator Daniel's, of Virginia, desk was completely covered with baskets, shields, and other devices, his chair filed with an immense floral ladder, and both chair and desk surrounded by large baskets of long-steamed roses. On the desk which Mr. Faulkner will use by and by were a floral chair and numerous bouquets, while handsome flowers rested on the desks of Senators Voorhees, Harris, Payde, Kenna, Blodgett, Stewart, Palmer, Platt, Sherman, Mitchell, Cullum, Paddock, Turpie, Gorman, Morgan, Ransom, Blackburn and others. Mr. Riddleberger sat behind a big harp of Erin.

Very seldom has there been so large an attendance of senators, Mr. Jones, of Nevada, being the only absentee.

The formal proceedings of the senate were without any sensational feature whatever. The presiding officer's gavel gently tapped upon the desk at 12 o'clock, and the loud hum of conversation which had been filling the chamber for an hour, ceased.

After prayer by the chaplain, Rev. J. G. Butler, the president of the senate, Mr. Ingalls, then took the chair and called the senate to order. He then placed before the senate the certificates of election, the certificates of appointment, and other papers received since the adjournment.

At the swearing in of senators-elect, Senator Hoar made objection to the administration of the oath to Mr, Faulkner, of West Virginia, until certain questions to which his credentials gave rise could be passed upon by the committee on privileges and elections. As a member of that committee he assured the senate that the matter should receive the immediate attention of the committe, so that if the gentleman were found to be entitled to his seat he could enter upon his duties without unnecessary delay.

Senator Kenna said that the course proposed by the senator from Massachusetts seemed eminently appropriate, and he trusted it would be followed without the formality of a vote. This course was followed and the call of senators-elect proceeded.

The oath was administered to Mr. Turpie, of Indiana, and he was admitted to his seat. All the papers in the case were referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

Messrs. Morrill and Morgan were named as a committee to tell the president the senate had organized, and then, on Mr. Hoar's motion, the first sitting of the new senate was adjourned.

IN THE HOUSE.

The scenes in the house were a repetition of those in the Senate. There are four times as many representatives as senators, and the confusion, handshaking, noises and flowers were in a fourfold ratio.

The roll call, which followed the calling to order of the house, was interrupted just as it begun by a crank, who, sitting in the northeast corner of the gallery, started up the doxology as the gavel came down, and had to be hauled out bodily by the heels before he would stop. When Mr. Clarke called for nominations for speaker, Mr. Sunset Cox nominated John G. Carlisle and Mr. Cannon of Illinois nomioated Thomas B. Reed. Only 313 votes were cast, of which Carlisle got 165 and Reed 148.

The clerk then appointed Messrs. Reed and Cox a committee to escort Mr. Carlisle to the floor of the house. The galleries and the members roared as Reed, lumbering along like an elephant, and Cox, trotting at his side like a pony, passed out of the door. The return with the newly elected speaker raised a storm of applause. Judge Kelley, of Pennsylvania, the oldest member of the house, stepped forward and administered the oath to Mr. Carlisle, and the latter, taking the gavel, became for the third time speaker of the house.

The process of electing officers of the house was much as usual, Mr. Cox offering the resolution embodying the names adopted by the democratic caucus, and Mr. Cannon offering an amendment to substitute the names selected by the republican caucus. Brumm, who was elected as a republican, created some surprise by offering a resolution to substitute a list of officers headed by Robert Schilling of Milwaukee for clerk. The amendments were voted down without division and the democratic officers elected. They came forward and the oath of office was administered. Donelson, the defeated doorkeeper, was the first to take his successor, Mr. Hurt, by the hand and congratulate him. The president's message will be read to-day.

HENRY GEORGE MUST GO.

The United Labor Party Will Discuss Radical Changes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—The leaders of the united party will shortly hold a national conference, at which it will be decided whether or not the party will put a candidate for the presidency in the field, and to discuss a change in the present platform of the party.

The small vote cast in the late campaign for Henry George has to a certain extent alarmed the leaders, and they have come to the conclusion that in order to hold the organization together some radical changes in their platform is necessary.

Henry George's land plank will in all probability be dropped, as it is the opinion of the majority of the members of the party that this plank was one of the prime causes of the loss of votes in the late election, and that Henry George himself should take a back seat and not be so anxious to push himself forward.

Instead of the land plank it is said that a plan advocating the Australian method of voting will be substituted and the fight made thereon. This, so say those prominent in the party, will have the effect of catching the votes.

It is understood that both Dr. McGlynn and Henry George are in favor of this plank, but are opposed to the withdrawal of the land plank.

For some time past the United Labor party people have been considering the advisability of making an effort to bring the adoption of the Australian system of voting before the public, and for this purpose a bill advocating the system has been drawn up and will be presented at the coming session of the legislature for its consideration.

The Tobacco Tax.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The representatives of those who favor the repeal of the tax on tobacco claim to have made a pretty thorough canvass of the views of members of the new house upon that subject. One gentleman who represents a combination which has been very anxious to obtain accurate information on the subject says that he has sent letters to 170 representatives and has received replies favorable to the repeal of the tax from 120. In this number are included nearly all the members from North Carolina, Virginia, Mississippi, Wisconsin, Ohio, and Connecticut.

Mr. Conkling's Good Fortune.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 6.—Mr. Frederick A. Conkling, of New York, one of Miss C. L. Wolfe's heirs, who is the guest of Mr. Lorillard Spencer, at this place, has fallen heir to Mise Wolfe's estate at the foot of Touro Park, having drawn it by lot. The heirs mutually deaided to draw certain pieces of property by lot. The Ochre point villa to Mr. Louis L. Lorillard. The Touro park estate is worth $50,000, while the Ochre point property is said to be worth about $75,000.

Perhaps New York Will Get It.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The republican national committee will meet here on the 8th inst., to fix a time and date for holding the Republican National convention. Delegations from St. Louis, Chicago, Minneapolis, Cincinnati, New York, Philadelphia, and Omaha will be here and some of the advance guard have already arrived. "Anything to beat Chicago" will be the watchword of the Omaha, St. Louis and Cincinnati committee.

The Glassworkers.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 6.—President Smith, of the National Flint Glassworkers' association, says the rules and scale presented by the manufacturers are unsatisfactory and will not be accepted. If the manufacturers adhere to their declaration and refuse to discuss these things, and greatly modify the scale, he claims there will be a lock-out before the end of the month that will close almost every flint glass factory in the country.

Gen. Kilpatrick's Widow and Daughters.

DECKERTOWN, N. J., Dec. 6.—The widow of Gen. Judson Kilpatrick has decided not to return to Chili, but, with her two young daughters, Misses Julia and Laura, will live in this country. They have spent the time since their arrival from Chili in this town, visiting among the general's old neighbors and looking after the affairs of the Kilpatrick homestead and farm, which is their property by inheritance.

Several Persons Injured.

TEETWATER, Ont., Dec. 6.—During the progress of a sale of furniture at an auction room yesterday the floor suddenly gave way, precipitating about seventy persons, together with a quantity of furniture, into the cellar of the building. The fall was nine feet. A panic ensued and twenty persons were more or less injured, although none were seriously hurt.

Sudden Illness of Gov. Bodwell.

BRUNSWICK, Me., Dec. 6.—Gov. Bodwell and wife arrived at Brunswich at noon yesterday on their way to Rockland. The governor was taken suddenly ill in the station here, and returned home on the next train. His illness is congestion of the lungs. Hopes of his speedy recovery are entertained.

Young Earl Craven in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Earl Craven has been in town for a week or two past. He is a pleasant gawky English boy of 20, and is accompanied by his tutor. He has dined at the British legation and has attended, as did Mr. Chamberlain, the meeting of the dancing class at Secretary Whitney's.

Carried Awry by Ice.

CANAJOHARIE, N. Y., Dec. 6.—The ice in the Mohawk river broke up yesterday morning and carried away a section of the temporary bridge which crosses the Mohawk river at Fort Plain. Last spring the old bridge was carried away and a new one is being built.

No Change of Venue for Mr. Platt.

ALBANY, Dec. 6. The general term has affirmed Judge Ingall's decision refusing the motion of quarantine commissioner Platt's counsel for a change of venue in his case. The case will be tried before the circuit court next week.

In the Path of Vessels.

EDGARTOWN, Mass., Dec. 6.—The revenue cutter Gallatin reports that the wreck of the schooner Abbie Warren, abandoned and anchored east of Cross Rip Lightship four and a half miles, is dangerous to vessels.

Perished in the Flames.

BENNINGTON, Vt., Dec. 5,—The Bacon homestead in Sunderland, and its barns were burned yesterday with $4,000 loss, and E. G. Bacon, aged 35, perished in the flames.

Fish Commission to Meet To-Morrow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The next meeting of the international fisheries negotiators will take place to-morrow at 2 o'clock.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 1, 1887.

Adams, Mrs Charles	Maire, Laura Cook
Brown, Elizabeth	O'Brien, Miss Mary
Cridner, Charley	Plonnor, Mr Thos
Cunningham, W B	Phillips, Wm
Calvert, Mrs Wm	Smith, Miss Maude
Everett, Mrs	Schavier Wm. M.
Hoperson, Thos (2)	Stryon Will E.
Hale, Mrs Susan	Taylor, Mrs. Pauline
Hanford, Miss Elizabeth	Taylor, Mrs. W. W.
Kennedy, Wm	Taylor, Mr. W.
Leake, Samuel	Wails, Sam'l W.
Marrow. Miss Caroline G	Wiomliams Miss Catella
Maybee, Mr	William, Mr. Care (2)
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THE CHICAGO BOODLERS

WILL ADOPT THE COURSE TAKEN BY SHARP.

They Say Their Case and the New York Boodle Kings Present the Same Features--To Be Used as a Precedent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—The counsel for McDonald, the convicted ex-chief engineer of the county hospital has received copies of the decision and the attorney's briefs in the Sharp matter, and with Judge Beckwith, who represented others of the boodlers, studied the papers attentively all day yesterday. Motions for new trials of McDonald and others will soon be made, and their counsel say that the cases of Sharp and of the Chicago boodlers are so nearly identical that the court of appeals decision will surely secure their clients a new trial.

An attorney who was connected with the prosecution of the "boodlers" in this city, especially with the McDonald-McGarigle case, said he thought a decision in the Sharp case had a very important bearing on the McDonald case. Said he: "In the trial of Sharp the state offered the testimony of one, Pottie, clerk of some legislative committee, to the effect that some six months before the time of the alleged bribery Sharp had tried to bribe him to do some act in his official capacity in furtherance of the interests of the Broadway road. The trial court admitted this testimony and the court of appeals, in granting a new trial to Sharp, held that this was incomplete testimony, and improperly allowed that the court below erred in permitting it."

The parallel between this trial and the McDonald-McGarigle trial is about as follows: McDonald and McGarigle were indicted with Nic Schneider for conspiring to defraud Cook county in the erection of the steam apparatus at the Normal school, and under this indictment they were tried. It was not an omnibus or general conspiracy indictment, but related only to the Normal school plant. On the trial the state offered, and the court allowed, the testimony of Abbott, the coal contractor, to show that he and McGarigle had had crooked dealings relating to the obtaining of the coal contract, and the testimony of the Clows to show crookedness on the part of McDonald, in the purchase of engineer's supplies. All this had nothing whatever to do with any crookedness there may have been in the Normal school work, for which only the defendants were on trial. Other testimony equally irrevelent was introduced and permitted by the court to go to the jury, and it undoubtedly helped to make the jury believe that a conspiracy to defraud the county existed, and that McDonald and McGargle were in it.

Now, if the court of appeals of New York, which corresponds to our supreme court, and stands very high as a legal authority, has decided that the testimony relative to acts similar to these charged in an indictment, and even concerning about the same subject matter, but not immediately in furtherance of tne offense specified in the indictment, is incompetent, how much more improper is the admission of testimony as to acts on the part of the defendant having no bearing, either in form or matter, on the charge in the indictment? You will see that the decision in the Sharp case will have an important place in the arguments before the appellate court for a new trial for Edward McDonald."

THE SAM JUP COMPANY.

Detectives Have Traced a Recent Murder to Those Highbinders.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—The detectives have learned that the recent murder of a Chinaman named Lee Wy in Chinatown is the result of one of those deadly feuds that are carried on by Chinese societies in this country. The Sam Jup company, a large and powerful organization, which made its own laws for the Chinese belonging to it, split some time ago into two factions called the Bo Sin Seer and the Kie Sin Seer. Some highbinders of tha Kie Sin Seer faction killed two men of the Bo Sin Sear, and the latter faction commissioned Leong Ah Tick, a trusty cutthroat, to avenge the slaughter. Leong Ah Tick accordingly killed Lee Wy, who happened to bn the first Kie Sin Seer man who came in the range of his pistol. After the latter murder a party from the Kie Sin Seer went to the headquarters of the Bo Sin Seer faction, and, tearing down the sign over the door, chopped it into pieces. This is regarded as the greatest indignity that can be offered a highbinders' organization, and can only be wiped out with blood.

The Ohio Valley Centennial.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 6.—There will be a meeting of the honorary commissioners of the centennial of the Ohio Valley and central states in Cincinnati on December 14, for the purpose of considering the coming exposition in 1888. Already the buildings are in an advanced stage of progress, and the preliminary work has been executed. To this meeting the governors of the several states most directly interested have been invited, as also the legislators and congressmen of those states.

The Anarchists Will Fight for Beer.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6. The committee of arrangements for the entertainment to be given Saturday night for the benefit of the families of the dead and imprisoned anarchists, decided, notwithstanding Mayor Roche's prohibition, that they would at all hazards place beer on sale in their hall. Their first move will be an attempt to procure an order from the courts annulling the mayor's mandate.

Injured By a Boiler Explosion.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Dec. 6.—One of a battery of eight boilers exploded at the Hubbard Iron works, Hubbard, Ohio, yesterday morning, wrecking the boiler house, and terribly scalding Fireman William Siefert, who was buried under the debris.

One Killed and Two Injured.

GALVESTON, Texas, Dec. 6. In the wreck of the northbound Missouri Pacific passenger express train from San Antonio, near Kyle, Charles Wood, yard engineer at Austin, was killed. Engineer P. Smith and Fireman Brooks were seriously injured.

Marshal Wilder in the Windy City.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6. Little Marshal P. Wilder arrived in town yesterday. He was to be the guest of the Press club here last night, and comes all the way from New York to take part in its annual entertainment.

Important Sale of Mining Stock.

DETROIT, Dec. 6.—Gen. R. A. Alger to-day purchased from R. G. Peters, of Manistee, a third interest in the Beaver silver mine on the north shore of Lake Superior. The price paid is $200,000.

Valuable Lake Steamer Burned.

CHATHAM, Ont., Dec. 6.—The passenger steamer C. H. Merritt, which plied between this port and Detroit, was burned to-day. She was valued at about $18,000.

A SHOCKING SCENE.

Terrible Experiences of a Canadian at a Hanging in Montreal.

"Talking of hanging," said a white-haired old gentleman the other night, in the hearing of a New York *Commercial Advertiser* reporter, "Talk about hanging. I had an experience when I was a boy that is as vivid to me to-day as when it happened."

"Well, what is it?" asked the reporter, ever ready for a story.

"You know I was born in Montreal, and was about seven years old when the French-Canadian rebellion broke out. Three of the rebels were caught, tried and sentenced to be hanged. One of them was Jules Delacroix, an old man of sixty, who occasionally did a bit of work for my father. Jules had lost his right hand in some manner years before I knew him. It was cut off at the wrist, leaving a smooth rounded stump. I was present with the crowd on the day of the execution of the three men, who were to be hanged together on the same gibbet, feeling a sort of proprietary interest in the whole affair on the strength of my acquaintance with Jules. The gibbet was made of two heavy uprights with a wide string-piece across the top, over which the three ropes were thrown, for in those times they simply fastened the noose around a man's neck and pulled him up by hand and let him strangle to death, as they do a Western lynching now. One end of the gibbet was close to and nearly on a level with a shed on which I had taken my stand to witness the execution. Well, just as the soldiers were about to pull up the victims a boyish freak possessed me, and I climbed out on the string-piece, lying flat on my face, and crawled out to the first rope just as the victims were pulled up. I happened to be directly over Delacroix. As the rope was pulled, up came the writhing body of poor Jules until he almost touched the beam above him, on which I crouched. They had tied his arms behind him, but in his death struggle he managed to pull the stump from its fastening, and, as he found it loose, threw it up and over the beam, and with desperate strength drew himself up, thus slackening the rope about his neck. I was looking down into his ghastly face, which was so close that I could have touched him with my hand. His wild, bloodshot eyes looked straight into mine with a pitiful, beseeching glance that haunts me to this day. "Ah, mon Dieu! mon Dieu!" he gasped. As a British soldier caught him by the feet and gave him a pull, his handless stump lost its hold on the cross-piece, and the poor wretch fell back to his death. No, I never think of a man's hanging but I recollect those wild, staring eyes, and hear the gasping supplication: "Mon Dieu! mon Dieu!"

WHITE CAPTIVES.

Two Girls Among the Indians of Vancouver's Island.

While a Victoria schooner was lying at the wharf at Barclay Sound, on the west coast of Vancouver Island, recently, the captain and crew were, according to a correspondent of the Nashville *American*, surprised to see two white girls running toward the vessel, closely pursued by three or four Indians. Reaching the side of the vessel, the girls sprang on board, almost exhausted, and begged the captain to protect them from their pursuers. The Indians were close upon them, and, jumping on the deck of the schooner, demanded the girls as their property. But the captain refused to give the girls up. After parleying with the captain for a short time they took their departure, only to return largely reinforced. The captain then surrendered the girls for fear of his life.

It has since been learned by the Government of British Columbia, which is to demand the release of the girls, that they are daughters of William Thompson, formerly of Victoria, who with his wife and four daughters, moved to San Juan, on the west coast, three years ago, and took up his home near an Indian camp. Since that time until now nothing had been heard of them. After moving to San Juan the father became dissipated, and all he earned went for the purchase of liquor.

When he could no longer obtain money or liquor, he sold his oldest daughter to a wealthy Chinaman, to whom, it is said, she was married at the point of the revolver. His wife died of a broken heart, and in one of his revelries at the Indian camp, it is alleged, he agreed to barter two of his daughters, for a few blankets, clothing and whisky. The bargain was made, and for the purpose of carrying it out, Thompson's hut was visited the following night by a few of the tribe who easily carried away their helpless victims. Since their captivity the girls have been subject to the most brutal treatment. A young sister, only eight years old, was sold to another tribe of Indians. The light-house keeper at Race Rocks light, has within a few days seen a young white girl in a canoe paddled by Indians pass the light-house.

FASHIONS IN SHOES.

What a St. Louis Dealer in Foot-Gear Knows About His Trade.

The taste in styles and material for boots changes more frequently perhaps than those of any other article of clothing, except ladies' hats, said a St. Louis shoe-dealer to a *Globe-Democrat* reporter the other day. The changes are universal, too. Manufacturers and large dealers are not troubled much with provincial styles in foot-wear. The change in the shoe trade in the last five years has been wonderful. Where you would have found five different styles of slippers then you will find twenty-five now. I mean, of course, among the finest establishments. There is a striking variety of shapes and material on the market, but the bulk of the trade even among wealthy people is in what we call the "sensible boot." Five out of every ten of those who a few years ago bought pasteboard soles are now wearing good, broad-soled boots. One of the most noticeable things in the trade is the big demand for "walking fast" shoes. A surprising number of wealthy ladies in the cities are beginning to wear them. One reason, perhaps, is that ladies are not considered properly costumed to go off to the country unless they have a pair of those shoes. The fact is, there are some firms in the East manufacturing nothing else this fall but "walking-fast" shoes for sensible women. There is an old style being resurrected and improved on this season. It is the "open-work" slippers. We sold them in large numbers several years ago, and they are being sold in still larger numbers now. The improvement on the style is "open-work" stockings to match the "open-work" shoes. New York manufacturers are leading the world in ladies' fine boots. They bring many of their best patterns from Paris and improve on them. The "sensible shoe" is buttoned, and the manufacturers who are putting up cheap shoes in imitation of fine goods are using buttons instead of strings for fastenings. Last but not least important, is the fact that the French heel has had a rise and fall. There are only a few of the French heels built now, and only a few wear them.

Interesting Information.

A correspondent asks us how bananas should be ripened. There may be more ways than one, but the Italians in this country take them to bed with them, and they do not even search them for spiders.

WOMEN IN INTRIGUE

SCANDAL CONCERNING FORGED LETTERS.

Three Countesses and a Prince Not Above Forgery--Death of Lord Lyons in London--General Foreign News.

BERLIN, Dec. 6.—Russian State Councillor Soldatenkoff, who is attached to the Russian foreign office, has been here for several days on a special mission connected with the forged documents that were sent to the czar. Count Soldatenkoff, after an audience with Count Herbert Bismarck, in the presence of Count Scouvaloff, the Russian ambassador, verified the papers and returned to St. Petersburg yesterday.

Countess Wolkenstein-Trostburg, the wife of the Austrian ambassador at St. Petersburg, who is involved in the case, is the widow of Count Schleinitz, formerly Haus minister of the Prussian court. When in Berlin she was an active intriguante against Prince Bismarck, and after her marriage with Count Wolkenstein-Trostburg she maintained relations with Prince Bismarck's court opponents, Countess Perponcher, Prince Radziwill and Countess Prillwitz, the wife of the Emperor's grand chamberlain. She showed her correspondence to Baron Jomini, the Czar's adviser, and to other anti-Teutons, as well as to the Czarina, through whom the Czar was influenced.

It is reported that Prince Bismarck will ask Emperor William to dismiss Count Perponcher and Count Prillwitz. Both have visited Friedrichsruhe and asserted their innocence in relation to their wives' letters.

The Austrian government, it is expected, will recall Count Wolkenstein-Trostburg. Prince Cantacuzene, first councillor of the Russian Embassy at Vienna, has gone to St. Petersburg to make a personal report to the czar, regarding the intrigues, and also concerning the policy of Austria toward Bulgaria.

Prince Dolgoroukrff, governor of Moscow arrived there on Saturday from St. Petersburg. A semi-official communication tonight announces that Prince Dolgoroukoff has sent a special official to the office of every paper, absolutely to forbid discussion of the relations between Russia and Germany, even to the extent of mentioning the name of Prince Bismarck.

DEATH OF LORD LYONS.

He Dies in London Yesterday After a Short Illness.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Lord Lyons, until within a few weeks British ambassador at Paris, and who was brought over here from that city about ten days ago suffering from a stroke of paralysis, died yesterday morning at the residence of his nephew, the Duke of Norfolk, K. G., in St. James square.

[Right Hon. Richard Bickerton Pemell Lyons was the only surviving son of the first Lord Lyons, created a baron for his services in the navy, having commanded the British fleet in the Black sea in 1855-6. The well-known ambassador to Paris was born at Lymington in 1817, succeeded to his father's title and seat in 1858, and was created Viscount Lyons, of Christ church, in the county of Southampton, in November, 1881. He leaves no heir, and the title dies with him. Lord Lyons was made ambassador of Paris in July, 1867, and held that post of honor for over twenty years, until his recent retirement and the appointment of Lord Lytton to his post. His life had been spent entirely in similar offices, and he resided in the United States as the representative of Great Britain during the entire period of our civil war. He was appointed envoy extraordinary in December, 1858, and returned to England on account of ill-health in February, 1865.

Must Quit Russian Territory.

VIENNA, Dec. 6.—All Austrian and Hungarian subjects employed in the Russian provinces bordering on Galicia and Bukovina have been ordered to quit Russian territory before January 13.

New President of Switzerland.

BERNE, Dec. 6.—The council of state has elected M. Gavard, of Geneva, president, and M. Schoch, of Schaffhausen, vice-president of Switzerland. Both are radicals.

Ambassador Hung-Suen at Berlin.

BERLIN, Dec. 6.—The new Chinese ambassador, Hung-Suen, has arrived here. He was accompanied by an imposing suite.

The French Princes and the Pope.

ROME, Dec. 6.—The Duc d'Alencon has presented the Orleans gift to the pope.

HAD A DISTRUST OF BANKS.

Peter Bennett, a Wealthy Farmer, Assaulted and Robbed of $75,000.

BANGOR, Dec. 6.—Peter Bennet, a wealthy and miserly farmer, who lives with his grand-daughter and her husband in Newport, Me., was robbed Sunday night. nett is 80 years old and is reported to be worth $75,000. Having a distrust of savings banks, he always kept a large amount of money in the house. Last night his grandson-in-law was roused by the report of a pistol, and, hastily dressing, got out of a window and hastened to the residence of Bennett's son, half a mile away. Arousing young Bennett, they returned to the house and found the elder Bennett lying on the floor in a pool of blood. He was restored to consciousness and said that robbers had beaten him and then made their escape with $32,000 in bills and gold.

Mr. Bennett this evening offered a reward of $3,000 for the recovery of the stolen funds, and $1,000 for the capture of the burglars.

Victory for Prohibition.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Justice Harlan delivered the opinion of the court yesterday in the two so-called prohibition cases of Peter Mugler, plaintiff in error, against the state of Kansas, and in the case of the state of Kansas against Herman Ziebold and others, affirming the judgment of the lower court in the two "Mugler" cases, and reversing the judgment in the Ziebold case. The effect of this opinion is to declare valid the prohibition laws of the state of Kansas and is, of course, a victory for the prohibitionists.

After That Wild Animal.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 6.—The wild animal that raided Farmer Mahurter's pig pen near the village of Peekskill, some nights ago, is still in this vicinity, and his latest exploit was to devour a young steer, near Johnsville. Women and children, and even men, are afraid to be out after dark. The animal is to be hunted, and a party of men at East Fishkill is getting ready to go at once upon the trail.

John Most Not Sentenced.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—John Most was not sentenced yesterday as it was expected he would be, for Judge Cowing gave his counsel until Thursday to make an argument for a new trial

A DISGRACEFUL WRANGLE.

In Which a Minister and Two Young Men Are Engaged.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 6.—A sensational episode occurred at St. Paul's Episcopal church Sunday night that developed yesterday into a bitter open controversy between the pastor, Dr. G. W. Dumbell, and two young men, J. M. Chancey and J. N. Caldwell. At the Sunday night service Dr. Dumbell stopped in the midst of his sermon and told them their "behavior was not what it should be." The young men left the church very much offended, and lingered around to make the minister retract his words. They failed to meet him, but called at the rectory at midnight and gave him a written challenge in which they denounced him thus:

"Your conduct might be excusable in a drunken rowdy, but in a gentleman and a minister of the gospel never. The only explanation we can come to of your own indignation and wrath is that you are no gentleman, no minister, no christian, but a slanderer and rowdy at heart and a blatant hypocrite."

The minister slammed the door in their faces, and the conference was thus ended. Last night Dr. Dumbell wrote an open letter to the press, in which he said:

"I expressed myself under the circumstances with moderation. Of your outrageous personal attack upon myself I only remark that I suppose you thought it safe and easy to heap abuse upon a clergyman where you would have been very cautious had the case been that of a layman."

The young men are of good standing, and their violent attack on Dr. Dumbell has excited the greatest feeling in the city and among his parishoners in particular, who are members of the largest and wealthiest congregation in the city.

Trial of Haddock's Assassin.

SIOUX CITY, Iowa, Dec. 6.—The evidence in the Haddock murder case finally closed this morning. The evidence to-day was confined to a few witnesses in support of the character of one of the witnesses for the defence. E. H. Hubbard began his speech to the jury in behalf of the state and had not concluded it at the evening adjournment.

A Bookkeeper Absconds.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 6.—Charles Walker, of this city, has absconded with about $6,000 of his employers' money. He was bookkeeper for the Cincinnati Spring company. The books of the firm are missing and the exact amount of the defalcation is not known. A warrant was issued for Walker on the charge of embezzlement.

Ran Into a Freight Train.

DIXON, Ill., Dec. 6.—The La Salle passenger train going north yesterday on the Illinois Central railroad ran into a freight train at Amboy, Calvin Wood, the engineer on the freight train, was killed, and the brakeman so seriously injured that he will die. The caboose and eight cars of the freight train were telescoped.

A Locomotive Explodes, Killing Three Men

HALIFAX, Dec. 6.—A locomotive on the Intercolonial railroad exploded yesterday at Stellarton station, killing three men instantly and injuring several others. The engine was demolished and the station building was badly wrecked. Those killed are Wm. Eastwood, Daniel Robinson and Alex. Fraser.

Dr. Parker's Last Lecture.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—The Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker's last lecture in America will be given on Friday afternoon in Chickering Hall. The subject will be "The Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, the Man, the Statesman; His Allies and Opponents." Dr. Parker will sail for England on Saturday on the Etruria.

A Bucket Shop Goes to the Wall.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 6.—Hodgson & Miller, about the largest bucket shop in the city, suspended yesterday owing to the corn deal. They were unmercifully hammered by speculators in that cereal, having paid out about $200,000 in the last two weeks. Liabilities unknown; estimated at $65,000.

The Largest Catch of Codfish.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Dec. 6.—The schooner H. B. Griffin, from Grand Bank, has arrived with 240,000 pounds of codfish. This was her third trip this season. The aggregate catch was 800,000 pounds, the largest amount ever landed by any vessel of the New England fishing fleet.

Large Fire in a China Town.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—The steamer San Pablo arrived from Hong Kong and Yokohama yesterday morning. A fire occurred at Swatow, China, a month ago, in which about 800 houses were destroyed, and the total loss amounted to $700,000.

The Madstone Did No Good.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Dec. 6.—Some nine weeks ago Mrs. Lougran was bitten by a mad dog, while defending her children from its attacks. A madstone was used, but last night she died from hydrophobia.

Senator Morton's Life.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 6.—The Hon. W. D. Foulke, author of "Slav or Saxon," will write a biography of Senator Morton, and has commenced the collection of materials for the work.

Sporting Notes.

Tom Connors, the celebrated wrestler who is shortly to meet Evan Lewis, "the stranger," is expected to train for the event at his old quarters in New York.

Mr. Edward Burgess has just completed the model for an 80-foot schooner yacht for Mrs. Benton of New York which is much admired by all nautical men who have seen it.

There is no possibility of another fight between Jem Carney and Jack McAuliffe, as neither will agree to the other's terms, and the probability is that the money now up in stakeholder Ormond's hands will be drawn by mutual consent in a few days.

Pat Killen and Mike Conley, the Ithica Giant, have at last come to terms and they will fight to a finish with skin gloves for $1,000 a side and the gate, winner to take all, on the 1st of March, 1888. But twenty-five persons all told are to witness the battle, which is to take place within 100 miles of Minneapolis.

Sam Ellis, of Philadelphia, and James Wallace, of Baltimore, both colored men, fought thirty-seven rounds, with bare knuckles, for a purse of $500, near the former city Sunday. Neither man was overly scienced, but they fought desperately, with varying success, until the last round, in which Sam reached his man's wind with terrific force, when Wallace threw up the sponge.

"Baldy" Sowers, whose name was known to every sporting man in the country from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the lakes to the gulf, died in Elkton, Ind., Sunday in the 84th year of his age. He was prominent in all sporting affairs in Philadelphia for many years well known in New York. Though a tough of toughs, born in Spring Gardens, and a butcher besides, he got a good deal of notoriety about forty-five years ago by carrying an open Bible on a breast tray in a native American procession in Philadelphia. Many used his name who never knew that he was other than a myth.

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THE SHARP INDICTMENT.

Rumor that a Motion to Quash It Will Be Made.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—The district attorney learned yesterday a report that Sharp's lawyers were going to take advantage of the recent court of appeals' decision that the admission on Sharp's trial of testimony before the senate investigating committee was improper, to move that the present indictment against him be quashed. The motion was to be made, according to the rumor, whenever Sharp's case is called for a new trial.

Neither Mr. Martine nor Mr. Nicoll cared to discuss the question yesterday. When Mr. Sharp was first put on trial the lawyers moved before Judge Van Brunt to have the indictment against him dismissed, on the ground that the testimony to the senate committee had been improperly introduced before the grand jury, and formed the basis of the indictment; but at that time Judge Van Brunt denied the motion, saying at the time that introducing such testimony before a grand jury and introducing it in court on a trial were two different things.

Burke Cockron, one of Mr. Sharp's lawyers, is in Washington, and Mr. Albert Stickney, his other lawyer, won't talk to reporters about the case at all. Mr. Nicoll intimated yesterday that he might take part in the argument on the quashing of the indictment if such a motion was made.

The Coal Famine in Kansas.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 6.—As a coal train was approaching this city Sunday night, the train was signalled and a guard placed over the crew, while the remainder of the band, who were farmers in this vicinity, proceeded to load their wagons with coal from the flat cars, and after having secured the fuel they paid the conductor for the coal and drove off. The coal famine in this section is terrible, and more daring deeds than the above will also occur if the railroads do not heed the cry for fuel.

Printed Address Allowed on Postals.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The Post-Office department is informed of the adoption of a regulation submitted by the United States to the countries in the Universal postal union allowing printed address slips to be affixed to the address side of postal cards destined to foreign countries of the union, conditioned that the printed address slips shall not exceed two inches in length or three-fourths of an inch in width. This new regulation goes into effect Jan. 1, 1888.

Coin in the Elephant's Stomach.

BRIDGEPORT, Dec. 6.—Among the articles taken from the stomach of the elephant Samson, after he was burned to death at Barnum's winter quarters, was a copper coin issued in 1854, by the French government, during the reign of Napoleon III., and believed to have been swallowed 20 years ago.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

Mrs. Phelps, of Odin, Ill., blew her brains out yesterday in the presence of her children. No cause was assigned for the desperate deed.

A saloon owned by Stevenson Brothers in Cutler, Ind., was blown up by giant powder on Sunday morning. The explosive had been put in oyster cans.

Jacob Terrman died in Ishpening, Mich., yesterday from the effects of a clubbing administered by Oscar Isaacson, a Finn, about a week ago. Isaacson is under arrest.

R. K. Manaton has resigned the pastorate of the Washington Street Methodist church of Newburyport, Mass. The stewards of the church deny that he was guilty of improper conduct with a young lady of the congregation, but regret that he was imprudent.

The dead body of a man about sixty years old was found on the cowcatcher of the Lehigh Valley night line passenger engine when it arrived at Penn Haven yesterday morning. There was a hole in the back of the man's head. No clew to his identity could be found.

Elmer Wood, manager of the electric light company in Canandaigua, N. Y., was renewing a carbon to an arc light on Sunday evening, when his damp kid glove came in contact with the lamp. The current had not been cut of. He received a shock, fell to the ground and died within a few minutes.

Charles Bailey, a Boston orphan boy, was sent to the farm of Henry Brown, Chesterfield, Me. He turned out worse than "Peck's Bad Boy." He burned the house and barn of his benefactor, which had cost $5,000, and he performed other feats of juvenile deviltry. Brown returned him to Boston instead of sending him to prison.

A special from Halifax states that three children from four to eight years of age, accompanying their parents from Sweden to the United States, died of croup on the passage between Liverpool and Halifax on the steamer Assyrian. One died on Saturday, November 26. The other two last Saturday. Neither father nor mother exhibited the slightest sorrow over their loss, appearing more pleased than anything else.

Weather Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6, 6 a. m.—The weather indications for New York, New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are: colder, fair weather; fresh to brisk northwesterly winds, diminishing in force and becoming variable, with a cold wave, followed by rising temperature.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Money on call 4 and 2 per cent.

BONDS.

		Closing, Yesterday,	Closing, To-day.
4½s,	1891, reg	108	107½
4½s,	1891, con	108⅝	107⅝
4s,	1907, reg	126¾	125
4c,	1907, con	126¾	126

STOCK MARKET.

THREE O'CLOCK—Trading was remarkably dull during the afternoon, the room traders apparently waiting for the president's message before undertaking active operations on the market.

CLOSING PRICES,

	Closing, Yesterday,	Closing, To-day.
Canadian Pacific	55	55½
Chicago, Bur. & Q	129	130
Central Pacific	35	37
Del. & Hud	103	103½
Del. Lack. & W	131¼	131
Erie	29½	30⅜
Erie, pref	64½	68
Lake Shore	94¾	95⅝
Louis. & Nash	61⅛	63
Michigan Central	88¼	88½
Missouri Pacific	—	91¼
N. Y. & New Eng	39½	39⅝
New Jersey Cen	74¾	76
New York Central & Hud	108½	109
Northwestern	110¾	109½
Oregon Navigation	86	87½
Pacific Mail	39¾	39⅝
Reading	69	68¾
Rock Island	114	114
St. Paul	75¾	77
Union Pacific	57⅛	56⅜
West Union Tel	78½	79

Buttter—Market Creamery—Eastern 24c a27c; western [illegible]; Elgin, 26c a26c; imitation 22c a 24c; Dairy—Eastern half-firkin tubs, 24c a26c; extra, Welsh tubs, 21c a 23c; western firkins 20 a 22c; eastern, dairies entire, 21c a22c; western, 19c a 21c; Factory—Fresh 20c a22c; June packed, 15c a 17c; low grades, 7c a9c.

Cheese—Market steady. Factory—New York cheddar, 11½c a 11¾c; western, flat, 11½c a 11¾c; Creamery, New York, part skims, scarce 12c; Pennsylvania, skims, ½c a 1¾c; state skims, 8c a9c.

Eggs—Market firm on fresh; Fresh—Eastern, firsts, 27c; Canadian, firsts, 21c a 22c; western, firsts 24 a 25c; Limed—Eastern firsts, 17½c a18c; western, firsts, 17c a17½c; Canadian, firsts, 17c a17½c; held firsts, 20 a22c.

A PLAINT.

The rose upon the wildwood spray,
Its dew half honey, and its hue
Reflecting Heaven when dawn is new,
Sheds sorrow on the summer day—
So soon it fades and falls away.

The child that in the cradle lies,
Its smile mere sunshine, and its breath
Sweeter than all things this side death
Brings anguish with its dearest cries—
So soon it droops, so soon it dies.

Yet what, without that blossom wild,
Its rapturous air, its lovely leaf,
Were summer? And, despite the grief,
Without those lips that kissed, that smiled,
What, what were life without the child?

Harriet Prescott Spofford, in Harper's Bazar.

IN A TUB.

Bobby Grey's Adventure With a Panther.

"Red Fork" is situated on the bank of the Arkansas river about two miles from Little Rock. Some years ago there dwelt a family consisting of Malcom Grey, his wife and one son, twelve years of age, named Robert. They had one slave named Sam. For short the boy was called Bobby. One day in August, Bobby, who had been to visit his uncle Job Sackett, started on his homeward way. He had to pass through a stretch of forest unbroken for eight miles. He left his uncle's house about four o'clock. It was a beautiful afternoon, the rays of the sun had heated the forest, making it uncomfortably hot. The boy proceeded on, whistling a merry tune, anon stopping to try the virtue of his new jack-knife, given him by his Aunt Polly. The paroquets flitted through the openings in the forest, or rested, a dozen or more at a time, on some dry limb, projecting from the trunk of some aged pecan tree, chattering and twittering at Bobby as he halted to look up at them far above his head. They did not seem to fear him in the least, but turned their little heads sideways and looked downwards with inquisitive eyes at the boy, as if wondering why he did not proceed on his journey and leave them to settle down on their perch, apparently their resting place for the night.

Bobby trudged joyously on, after satisfying his curiosity, laughing gleefully to himself, and bidding the paroquets good night, which the little creatures acknowledged by ruffling their plumage and keeping up a ceaseless chattering until distance put an end to the sound and a turn in the cart path hid them from view. The dusky shades of night began to fall, and filled the forest with somber shadows. The little fellow quickened his pace that he might be able to get out of the woods before night set in in earnest. It grew dark very fast and objects could be discerned only a little way in advance. Bobby hurried on, but the accompaniment, the merry whistle, had ceased, and he walked silently ahead, frequently stopping to listen to some unusual sound reverberating through the forest, a falling limb from some aged tree, perhaps; Bobby's heart quickened its pulses at the sound, and he jumped nervously aside as some night bird flew in close proximity to his face with whirring wings. He was not a coward; he had been in the forest before, and he had been startled by similar sounds, and he did not apprehend any danger unless by some wild beast lurking around, which was not likely, he thought, as none had been seen in the forest for a number of days, having been driven across the river by the hunters and their dogs.

The owls commenced to hoot, to-ho, to-hoo! The Katy-dids uttered their mournful lay, Katy-did, Katy-didn't; and Bobby toiled on, more slowly now because of the increasing darkness. Suddenly there came a sound from the forest in the direction he had but recently passed over. He stopped irresolute, as if his first thought was to flee; he listened with a fear-beating heart. In a moment it came again, seemingly nearer than before, and long drawn out; "ooh—ou-ooh—ou—ou!"

Bobby did not wait for a repetition of the blood-curdling cry, but turned and fled in the direction of the clearing, which was now near at hand; terror lent strength to his sturdy little legs, and he picked his feet up and put them down faster than he ever did playing "I spy" with the boys at "Red Fork." He reached the edge of the forest in an incredibly short time, regarding the distance he had to run—a little over a mile. He bounded into the clearing, and, after a short run, discovered a cabin, which had been formerly occupied by the slaves when engaged in burning the logs of the fallen trees on the cleared land.

As he ran quickly towards it, he was startled again by that fearful cry, "ooh—ou-ou-ooh—ou-ou," resembling the shrill voice of a frightened child.

Bobby had lived too long near the forest to be mistaken in the terrible cry, and he fled onwards, in mortal terror, to find a place of safety. Dashing breathlessly up to the cabin, through the underbrush, he discovered it in a state of decay, the door off its hinges and held only by the leathern deer thongs which had been their former fastenings.

Evidently there was no safety for the boy there; so thought Bobby as he looked in dismay in the darkness around him. Stumbling through the underbrush he came across a half of a hogshead turned upon its side; it had evidently been used by the former occupants of the cabin to catch rain water. The thought struck him at once that this was his only chance of safety from the pursuing brute, whose howls he now heard in close proximity, apparently at the edge of the forest. Grasping the huge tub firmly by the edge he essayed to end it over towards him, but as it had lain a long time exposed to all weathers and soaked by the rainfalls, it had become sodden, and it was only after repeated efforts, the howls of the animal approaching nearer and nearer all the while, that he could move the thing.

Terror lent him strength again, however, and he succeeded in pulling it over partially and squatting himself beneath the opening as he held it tipped partly over, he finally let go with his hands and the hogshead came down with a thud, and for the time being he was safely ensconced beneath it; none too soon, for as it came down encompassing him in Egyptian darkness, he heard a scratching outside his prison house, then a sniffing round the edge of the upturned tub, and he knew that his foe had tracked him and scented out his hiding place.

The brute ran round and round the tub in a circle, sniffling and growling. The fetid steam from the creature's breath entered beneath the tub, where it had lodged on some small shrubs, and it made Bobby sick with the stifling stench. Nothing daunted, however, at this state of the siege, Bobby bethought him of his new jack-knife; drawing it forth from his pocket and opening the blade, he cut the twigs away that bent some inside his inclosure and some outside, and the tub rested more evenly and firmly on the ground. The stir from within caused by the rustling Bobby made as he pulled and pushed at the lopping twigs aroused the brute's fierce anger, and he redoubled his attempts to get in, digging around the edges of the tub.

Bobby trembled in affright as the animal scratched and tore at the obstruction preventing his entrance, and he shouted at intervals with all his might in hopes that some one would hear and come to his assistance, but the sound of his voice was smothered in the confines of the hogshead and only caused the brute to desist from digging awhile at the cries, but continued to dig again as soon as Bobby ceased to shout.

He soon made an opening large enough to admit one paw which, as soon as thrust in the aperture, received a stab from Bobby's sharp blade, aimed at random, guided only by the sound of the animal's movements. It was withdrawn with a howl of pain and anger, but he soon commenced again, uttering angry growls, as he bit and tore at the roots and shrubs. Again and again, as the brute thrust in his paw under the rim of the tub, the brave little fellow used his knife with effect. The animal finally enlarged the hole so that it would admit his head, and the strong odor of his breath filled the inside of Bobby's retreat and almost smothered him. He made a thrust with his knife, but the brute quickly withdrew his head, so that the blow did not take effect. Becoming emboldened, the brute thrust his head still further in and turned upon his side in his endeavors to wiggle his shoulder in also. Bobby, in feeling around inside the tub, had found a stopper, or bung, that protruded through the bung-hole; to this he now clung with both hands with all his might and forced the edge of the tub down on the neck of the animal, who snarled and gnashed his jaws in a terrible manner. Seeing that the brute would surely effect an entrance if something was not done quickly, Bobby let go his hold on the protruding stopper with one hand, and with the other he tried to drive the sharp knife blade into the animal's upturned eye, but missed his mark and struck his cheek bone. With a convulsive struggle, the brute tried to back out, but the brave boy aimed a second blow at the shining mark—the brute's eyes shone like two balls of fire in the darkness—this time with better success, for the sharp blade penetrated the eye to the brain. Despite its desperate and dying struggles to escape, Bobby, who had left the knife sticking in the wound, held the tub down with all his remaining strength, and the struggles of the brute grew fainter and fainter and finally ceased altogether.

It was a long time, it seemed an age to Bobby, before he dared to ease up the strain on the upturned tub, but his desperate exertions began to tell upon him, and he finally relinquished his hold on the stopper and fell back completely exhausted and unconscious. How long he remained thus he never could tell, but upon returning to consciousness he found that the brute was dead. It was only after repeated efforts that he could raise the tub far enough to allow his exit, but at last he accomplished the difficult feat and he crawled out more dead than alive. It required a deal of rubbing of himself and stamping of his cramped limbs, before he could gain locomotion. He was not far from home, and as soon as he could get his bearings, which required another long period on account of the state he was in, he set out in that direction. Stumbling, and sometimes falling, he managed to reach home. All the lights were out in the house, his father and mother having retired for the night, thinking their boy was going to stay another night at his uncle's.

Bobby pounded on the door a long time before he could awaken any one. At last there was a stir within and a candle was lit. In another moment or two a voice inside answered the summons on the door by inquiring:

"Who dar?"

"Me!" answered Bobby.

At the sound of the voice the door was quickly unbarred, and Sam's wooly pate appeared in the aperture.

"Gorra mighty, if it ain't Bobby! whar on de sun hab you cum?"

Sam did not finish the sentence. As the faint light of the candle fell upon the nearly fainting boy, he quickly drew him inside and called up Mr. Gray and wife, who were wondering who Sam could be conversing with at such a late hour as one o'clock in the morning.

What a sight met their eyes as they came out of their bed-room into the old kitchen. Bobby, with hands and face scratched and bleeding from their contact with the briars and shrubs, his clothes torn in many places and covered with dirt. It was some time before he could gain sufficient composure to give an account of what had befallen him.

Bobby was undressed and put to bed, and hot cloths were applied to his aching body, but he did not fall asleep until three o'clock, and his mother kept watch by his bedside until he awoke late in the day.

In the meantime, Mr. Grey, accompanied by Sam, started for the clearing. Arriving there, they found things as represented by Bobby, and the animal, a full-grown panther, was shouldered by Sam and Mr. Gray, and they marched back in triumph. He measured fully six feet and a half from tip to tip.

Bobby was the hero of "Red Fork," and for many days the spot was visited by inquisitive neighbors to see for themselves where the intrepid youth fought and killed the savage tawny brute.—*S. Frank Blanding, in Yankee Blade.*

California Raisins.

The United States is the largest consuming country of raisins in the world, and reliable authorities estimate the consumption at about 2,000,000 boxes of about 20 pounds each, which at an average of $2 per box shows an expenditure of $4,000,000 per annum for one article in the dried-fruit line. The amount referred to represents say 1,000,000 boxes Valencia, 700,000 boxes California, 200,000 boxes Malaga, and 100,000 boxes Smyrna. The crop of the world for the present season is estimated, in round numbers, at 6,500,000 boxes; about as follows: Valencia, 3,000,000 boxes; Malaga, 600,000; California, 750,000, and Smyrna, 2,000,000. The shipments of Valencia raisins to the United States to date are 500,000 boxes.

The Oyster and the 'Coon.

Mr. Frank G. Wheaton, of New York, telling of how the raccoons catch oysters at Cat Island, near New Orleans, says that one night he saw an old coon crawl up to a big oyster that had his shell open and stick his paw in to scoop out the meat. With a snap the shell came together, and the coon was caught. He squaled and tugged to get the oyster out of the mud or his paw from the oyster's clutch, but to no purpose. Then the tide began to rise, and pretty soon the water was running about the coon's feet. He saw what was coming, and, after a vain effort to get away, deliberately gnawed his own paw off and hobbled off on three legs.

EFFECTS OF FRIGHT.

A Man's Life Wrecked by an Encounter With Rattlesnakes.

A tall, handsomely-dressed man, leaning on the arm of an attendant, was walking up Madison avenue Sunday just as a vast throng of church-goers were returning home, says the New York *World*. Suddenly he stopped, looked at his legs in a frightened way, and fell to the ground in a fit. His body twisted and writhed in a way horrible to see, and he made a strange noise which sounded like a dozen angry rattlesnakes. The gentleman's attendant evidently knew just what to do. He raised the sufferer's head so that he could not injure it on the sidewalk, and quickly loosened the fastenings of his shirt. When the first violence of the fit had worn off the attendant called on a bystander for help and removed the gentleman to a drug store. During the fit the gentleman's hat had rolled off, and also a wig, leaving a head exposed as smooth as a billiard ball. While waiting for a carriage the attendant told a reporter a remarkable story of how his master came to be so terribly afflicted.

The gentleman is Mr. Francklyn Brush. Ten years ago Mr. Brush came to America from England to seek his fortune as a civil engineer. He had letters of introduction which secured him a place on the International & Great Northern railroad in Texas, which was then being built. He joined Major Benham's party as assistant engineer. One day in October, 1877, Major Benham sent Mr. Brush to obtain certain papers from Captain Wardell, who was engineer in charge of the next division. He started on his twenty-mile ride in the morning and reached his destination shortly before noon. He refused an invitation to remain in Captain Wardell's camp until the heat of the day had passed and at once started on his return journey. Half way between the two camps Mr. Brush became tired and dismounted from his horse. He found a shady place on a large rock overshadowed by trees and stretched himself out to rest.

He had been asleep some time when he was awakened by a strange sensation. It seemed as though a heavy weight was attached to each leg. When he opened his eyes an ominous rattling noise greeted his ears. Two huge rattlesnakes had coiled about each of his legs, and at the slightest motion the animals raised their heads, ready to strike. Afraid to move and filled with inexpressible terror, Mr. Brush lay hour after hour with the two big snakes coiled about him. At last the sun began to set, and the chill night air began to make the snakes uncomfortable. Slowly they unwound themselves from about Mr. Brush, and crawled into a crevice in the rocks. Then he mounted his horse and rode into camp. When his horse halted in front of Major Benham's tent, Mr. Brush fell from it in a fit. For three days he remained unconscious, passing from one fit into another, until his life was despaired of. At last he rallied sufficiently to be removed to San Antonio, where he remained in the capital for six months. During his illness every hair dropped from his head. As soon as practicable Mr. Brush was taken to England, where he remained until a year ago, when, through the death of a relative, he came into a handsome property. He has been traveling under the care of a nurse since then, but he is constantly subject to fits. It is the opinion of noted surgeons who have failed to effect a cure that Mr. Brush will die during one of these

MAKING LIQUORS.

Their Distillation Said to Be a Comparatively Modern Invention.

Strong liquors are a modern invention, observes a writer in the *Popular Science Monthly*. The ancients knew of nothing more powerful than light fermented wines, and have left warning enough of the abuse of them. Alcohol was not discovered until the seventh century, although an older story exists of a monk, Marcus, who collected and condensed in wool the steam of heated white wine, and then pressed out from the wool a balsam which he applied to the wounds of those who fell at the siege of Rheims, in the reign of Clovis I. He also mixed this balsam with honey, and produced a cordial which brought the moribund back to life. Clovis, however, did not wait for the approach of death before claiming his share of the cordial.

According to Dr. Stanford Chaille, the distillation of spirits from wine was not discovered till the twelfth century, and spirits did not come into common use as drinks until the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. Prof. Arnoldus de Villanova, in the fourteenth century, made a panacea of the water-of-life which gave sweet breath and fortified the memory, besides being good for sore eyes, the tooth ache and the gout, and having other wonderful properties. Distilled spirits came into use in London in 1450, and had to be prohibited in 1494. Michael Savonarola produced a treatise on making the water-of-life in the fifteenth century, which became a standard authority on the subject, and was followed by the work of Matthiol de Sienna. These books gave the start to brandy-making in Italy, whence the trade extended to France.

About 1520 the Irish usquebaugh began to acquire reputation in England. Before 1601 "brand wine" had begun to be distilled in the low countries from apples, pears and malt; and in that year an ordinance was passed at Tournay forbidding the sale of the liquor except by apothecaries, partly "because of the dearness of corn and partly because of the drunkenness which this cheap brand wine caused, to the great prejudice not alone of homes and lives, but to the extreme danger of the souls of the drinkers, many of whom had died without confession."

The art of extracting alcohol from other substances was gradually discovered, and liquors of various names came into use. The trade grew great, and the present century has seen a new development of it in the general application of the art of "doctoring" liquors.

Presidential Autographs.

An autograph collector says that of the presidential autograph letters those of Andrew Jackson are the rarest and costliest. This is because he seldom wrote letters; never when he could help it. The fact that his letters were often both written and signed by proxy is known to collectors, and a paper of this sort recently sold for $3. A full genuine letter is worth from $25 upward. Washington's autograph letters come next in value and rareness. Next come the letters of Zachary Taylor, who wrote a bad hand and bad letter. They are worth from $15 to $25. Lincoln's letters come next in rareness, and range from $12 to $30. Grant's are high-priced, not because rare, but because they are Grant's. Arthur's letters are scarce. They haven't had time to find their way into the hands of strangers. Twenty years from now they will be commoner.

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BY THE WAY.

—There is no doubt of the political complexion of this city.

—There will be a special session of the Union County Court at Elizabeth today.

—Mr. Edwin Loomis of Rockview avenue, lost, by death, a valuable Jersey cow on Saturday.

—On Friday evening of this week the Borough Council will "rassle" with the electric light problem.

—The Democrats made an admirable fight yesterday, and the Republicans gained an enviable victory.

—Ex-Chief of Police Chas. W. Dodd has filed his bond and will today assume his duty as Warden of the County Jail at Elizabeth.

—This issue contains the news in general up to the time of our going to press at sunrise this morning. It will be the only edition published today.

—Two young men who were arrested in North Plainfield township recently for Sunday gunning, will be given a hearing before Mayor Cooley to-morrow.

—At the Fourth ward polls during noon hour yesterday those who lingered around the ballot boxes were treated to a lecture on the quality and price of meat.

—Jerusalem Lodge, No. 26, F. & A. M., held a regular encampment in their handsome lodge room over the Y. M. C. A. rooms on East Front street, last evening.

—A valuable pet Scotch collie dog, belonging to Mr. Samuel H. Jacobus of East Front street, was poisoned yesterday. The animal was highly prized in the family.

—The condition of Thomas Conway who was stabbed during a fracas in an unlicensed saloon at Dunellen on Sunday, is much improved, and his recovery is now almost assured.

—To the average voter yesterday was remarkably pleasant and quite balmy for December, but it was a cold day for some of the candidates seeking office by the ballots of the people.

—The new Caspar building on East Front street, will be, when completed, one of the most attractive in the city. The buff colored pressed brick front, is the only one of the kind in town.

—The ladies of the W. C. T. U. of Westfield, held a parlor meeting at the residence of Mrs. Irving at that place last evening. Mrs. Dr. Tomlinson of this city, was announced to conduct the Bible reading.

—At the Council meeting Monday evening no action was taken with reference to appointing a successor to Chief Dodd. The whole matter is in the hands of the Police Board, and while the office remains vacant, the entire force will be subject to instructions from Mayor Male.

—Ex-Sheriff Amos Sickel and Hiram R. Withington have begun suit against Mercer county to recover bills of $4,000 and $5,000 respectively, which they allege are due them for care of county prisoners during their terms of office. Other ex-Sheriffs in the State signify their intention to follow suit.

—Since the present system of running coal trains over the Central Railroad took place, coal trains have been run on Sunday. The crews on the upper end of the road bring their trains to Hampton Junction on Saturday, and as there is no room for them there, they are run over the road to tide water on the following day.

—A prominent builder in town who recently began work on a large contract, was obliged to stop work a few days ago, and discharged his men. After the work was well under way, it was discovered that there was a $23,000 mortgage on the property on which the buildings were being erected, that had not before come to the notice of the owners of the land, who had but recently purchased it. The matter was adjusted in a day or two, and work was resumed.

—On Sunday next, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the First Presbyterian church.

—Today's PRESS contains the full election returns, and will be the only paper issued from this office during the day.

—A kitchen garden entertainment will be given in Reform Hall on Tuesday, December 27th. Admission is but ten cents.

—The Singing and Turning Society of the Plainfield Saengerbund has decided to hold a fair during the first week in February.

—The most popular train of the road, on and after Thursday, will be an express leaving here at 8:35 in the morning and reaching New York at 9:25.

—Dr. Ezra Hunt, Secretary of the State Board of Health, says that diphtheria, which has been prevalent in various parts of the State, is on the decrease.

—The beautiful, engraved charter of the Grand Army of the Republican, presented to Major Anderson Post. No. 109 of this city, has been framed, and is now on exhibition in THE PRESS office.

—A regular business meeting of Major Anderson Post, No. 109, of this city, will be held on Thursday evening. New members will be taken in and other business of importance to the post transacted.

—A brutal slugging match took place in a boulevard saloon on Saturday evening, and some of the participants now wear a broad mourning band around their optics to show what part they took in the affair.

—The December term of the Middlesex County Courts opened at New Brunswick, yesterday. There are seven Supreme Court causes, twenty-four Circuit Court and twenty-nine Justices' Appeals on the Court Calendar.

—In the Fourth ward yesterday colored men who do not own a cent's worth of real estate, and scarcely anything else, were seen to walk up to the polls and cast their ballot for the extra appropriation for school purposes.

—The "public subscription" recently started in this city, is now among the things of the past. Plainfield did not pan out as well as the origimator of the scheme expected. It is said that the total subscription amounted to less than a dollar.

—The annual encampment of the Grand Army of Republic, New Jersey Department, which will be held at Trenton, next February, already begins to attract attention. There will be a lively contest for the office of Department Commander.

—Borough Marshal Becker a few days ago confiscated a Masonic badge from a colored man in North Plainfield. The officer returned the badge to the owner, Mr. C. Gillespie of the Ashland House, New York. The colored man is supposed to have come in possession of it illegally.

—The annual meeting of the New Jersey State Teachers' Association will be held again in Trenton this year on the 28th, 29th and 30th of December. The meeting promises to be one of unusual interest. A prominent feature will be the exhibit of school work.

—Many of the portraits published in the daily press are so atrocious that the publishers would be liable to prosecution for libel, were it not that the pictures have no resemblance to the persons they are presumed to represent. In these days it is a wise man that can recognize his own newspaper portrait.—*Ex.*

—No one in town is pestered more with importunate tramps than His Honor Mayor Male. Recently while walking along one of our streets in company with another gentleman, he was accosted by one of these migratory characters three times for alms, and only desisted when His Honor threatened to have the fellow arrested.

—The question is asked "What redress can the alleged firebugs get," who were incarcerated and subsequently released and held as witnesses on a nominal bail. In all instances the accused, it is said, were only too happy to gain their liberty, not thinking of redress. In case proceedings were instituted to recover damages for false imprisonment by any of them, the chances of getting anything, are in the minority.

—It is a little early yet to talk of Christmas and the Christmas trees, but in all parts of this city and the borough, arrangements are already making for the proper observance of the day. The churches, too, are rehearsing their Christmas music. At the Warren Mission on Tuesday evening, Councilman Dunham and a choir of 125 voices rehearsed Christmas music for an hour or so. We are now permitted to say that the friends of the Warren Mission School may expect something a little more than the ordinary at the Christmas celebration in the chapel this year.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

The very excellent Board of Health nominated by Mayor Male, Monday evening, was promptly confirmed by the Council. It consists of ex-Mayor Rockfellow, City Clerk O. B. Leonard, ex-Councilman L. W. Serrell, Dr. Chas. H. Penfield and Mr. S. A. Ginna.

THE CITY'S VOTE.

	1st WARD	2d WARD	3d WARD	4th WARD	Total.	Maj.
COUNCILMEN-AT-LARGE.						
J. B. Dumont, R.	194	192	161	210	757	...
E. N. Erickson, R.	199	214	198	212	823	...
H. C. Squires, R.	162	215	188	203	768	...
J. B. Burnett, D.	171	108	69	257	605	...
L. M. Stover, D.	200	145	65	257	667	...
W. L. Hetfield, D.	235	96	54	266	651	...
COLLECTOR.						
John Johnson, R.	222	233	200	230	885	...
ASSESSOR.						
J. A. Hubbard, R.	216	233	201	228	878	...
TREASURER.						
A. Titsworth, R.	215	233	202	226	876	...
SCHOOL TRUSTEE.						
G. H. Babcock, R.	194	213	175	200	782	128
N. Harper, D.	195	114	71	274	654	...
FREEHOLDERS.						
J. F. Hubbard, R.	210	228	201	218	857	...
A. Vanderbeek, R.	207	226	192	225	850	...
James Clark, D.	182	100	50	248	580	...
S. Flaig, D.	184	95	48	249	576	...
COMMISSIONERS OF APPEAL.						
R. MacDonald, R.	205	225	196	224	850	...
M. Vermeule, R.	211	226	195	224	856	...
J. Manning, D.	182	101	51	247	581	...
J. G. Cadmus, D.	181	100	50	245	576	...
INCREASE OF SCHOOL TAX.						
For	282	238	175	132	827	559
Against	62	45	42	119	268	...
Republican Tickets	210	226	198	221	855	267
Democratic Tickets	184	104	49	251	588	...
Total Vote, 1887	394	330	247	472	1443	...
" 1886	360	300	255	460	1375	...
" 1885	309	309	261	444	1323	...
" 1884	363	310	293	475	1441	...
" 1883	302	232	230	409	1173	...
" 1882	326	310	283	475	1394	...
" 1881	291	249	242	405	1187	...

FIRST WARD.

		Maj.
COUNCILMAN.		
G. W. Watson, D.	200	15
J. F. MacDonald, R.	185	..
JUSTICE OF PEACE.		
D. L. Allen, R.	204	..
L. Peterson, R.	206	..
S. Flaig, D.	184	..
CONSTABLE.		
J. B. Gable, R.	203	29
T. Callahan, D.	174	..
JUDGE OF ELECTION.		
R. A. Meeker, R.	200	6
E. T. Van Winkle, D.	194	..
INSPECTOR.		
G. W. Moore, R.	205	..
L. F. Wadsworth, D.	183	..
CLERK.		
E. H. Bird, R.	217	42
C. B. Van Winkle, D.	175	..

SECOND WARD.

COUNCILMAN.		
W. Randolph, D.	164	4
C. B. Corwin, R.	160	..
JUSTICE OF PEACE.		
C Jones, R.	226	128
G. W. Runk, D.	98	..
CONSTABLE.		
W. R. Mattox, R.	226	131
W. Callahan, D.	95	..
JUDGE OF ELECTION.		
F. A. Dunham, R.	225	126
C. S. A. Davis, D.	99	..
INSPECTOR.		
J. H. Doane, R.	222	..
R. Merritt, D.	101	..
CLERK.		
H. A. Thorne, R.	213	103
J. Mortimer, D.	110	..

THIRD WARD.

		Maj.
COUNCILMAN.		
F. E. Marsh, R.	187	132
R. H. Channing, D.	55	..
JUSTICE OF PEACE.		
J. O. Nodyne, R.	196	..
T. J. Lyness, R.	194	..
L. C. Kline, D.	49	..
CONSTABLE.		
A. Moffett, R.	193	142
H. McDonnell, D.	51	..
JUDGE OF ELECTION.		
T. O. Doane, R.	195	147
S. Milligan, D.	48	..
INSPECTOR.		
M. M. Thorn, R.	194	..
A. Saltzman, D.	50	..
CLERK.		
O. B. Leonard, R.	198	150
W. Rankin, D.	48	..

FOURTH WARD.

COUNCILMAN.		
E. D. Moffett, D.	293	134
W. Addis, R.	159	..
JUSTICE OF PEACE.		
L. Hetfield, D.	248	..
A. Q. Fine, D.	257	..
T. J. Gillies, R.	220	..
H. W. Force, R.	215	..
CONSTABLE.		
J. M. Cumpton, D.	250	40
P. J. Flanagan, R.	210	..
JUDGE OF ELECTION.		
V. L. Frazee, D.	252	33
S. C. Ryder, R.	219	..
INSPECTOR.		
J. B. Martin, R.	216	..
P. Flynn, Jr., D.	251	..
CLERK.		
J. F. Casey, D.	222	..
A. Angleman, R.	246	24

The Result.

The annual municipal election is over. It passed as quietly as the day of sunshine during which it was held. There was much cutting for various personal reasons and because of many matters of principle, but the will of the people—it is natural to suppose—is accomplished. Everyone voted to suit himself, and the patent box registered the ballots to suit itself. The struggle was only between the Republican and Democratic parties of the city—for although the anti-license disciples might carry out their principles so far as their individual suffrage was concerned, yet the third-party placed no ticket of its own in the field.

Elsewhere we publish a complete canvass of the vote in a tabulated form easily understood. We also give a comparison of the total vote by wards for the past seven years.

The Council for the coming year, will consist of:

Francis E. Marsh, R.
Marvin M. Dunham, R.
Tunis J. Carey, R.
Samuel P. T. Wilbur, R.
William Taylor, R.
G. Warren Watson, D.
Elmore D. Moffett, D.
Wilton Randolph, D.
John B. Dumont, R.
Eric N. Erickson, R.
Henry C. Squires, R.

The Board of Education will consist of:

Jacob Kirkner, R.
John W. Murray, R.
Rev. Jessee L. Hurlbut, R.
Louis F. Wadsworth, D.
George H. Babcock, R.

The First Philharmonic.

The first of the Y. M. C. A. series of four concerts by the New York Philharmonic Club, was given in Music Hall, last evening, to a large and cultured audience. Because, probably, of a published warning, only two or three late comers risked being shut out from the first movement. The programme opened with a serenade by Arnold Krug, in the first movement of which the flute part was noticeably beautiful, in the second in a minor key was displayed remarkably charming harmony, while the third and fourth were perhaps the most tuneful. A "tarantella," also by the Club was very brilliant, and a "Bridel Prossesion" was characteristic and quaint, but andante and scherzo movements by the instrumental quartette were not remarkable specimens.

Miss Jennie Dutton, the vocal soloist of the occasion, proved the possession of a clear and pure mezzo-soprano voice; but, undoubtedly because of the difficulty of finding as brilliant a selection within the range of such quality, her first number was too high. She was recalled, however, at the close of it, as well as after her song in part second. But Mr. Richard Arnold received the honors of the evening. His violin solo selection was the best he has given us yet and was played with great taste and perfect execution. His encore piece was soft, plaintive and so altogether exquisite, that the audience was hushed into the deepest silence that sought relief at the finish in extravagant applause.

—The annual meeting of the New Jersey Trotting Horse Breeders' Association will be held at the Trenton House, in Trenton, on Wednesday, Dec. 14.

Will They Try Eph?

The following is the full panel of petit jurors drawn at Elizabeth, yesterday, for the January term of Court, 1888:

Elizabeth—James Dillon, Oliver Conlon, John J. Totten, Otto VonKummer, Adolph Mede, Samuel Marsh, Jr., Richard Burke, John Dowd, Benj. L. Lawrence, Christian Peters, Waters F. Price, John Engel, L. Emil Wichman, Elias B. Crane, Mark D. Wilson, Thomas Forsyth, James H. Britton, John J. O'Donovan, Hiram G. Edey, Alexander S. Denman, Benjamin P. Crane, Jacob Lutz.

Plainfield—James E. Huntington, Chas. B. VanWinkle, Richard Merritt, Wilbert N. Rowe,

Rahway—James E. Tier, Geo. W. Ayres, Wm. H Runyon,

Linden—Wm. B. Martin. Henry C. Krouse, Henry Applegate.

Union—Elias C. Thompson, Stephen S. Potter.

Fanwood—Linas Walpole, Henry Cook, Henry F. Stites.

Springfield—Wm. Taylor, Enoch D. Miller, Job S. Woodrnff.

Cranford—Bernard Doyle, Edward S. Crane, Jacob Ludlow, Chas. F. Pierson.

New Providence—Barzilla A. French, Thos. Robinson.

Westfield—Wm. Mitchell.

Summit—John W. Hand.

In Aid of the Church.

Just such an entertainment as we were called upon to commend before, will be again given at the residence of Mrs. Kate C. Conant of Evona, to-morrow evening. The affair is for the benefit of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, and so has additional claim upon the public.

Part first of the programme, and beginning at 8.15 o'clock of the evening, will be as follows:

Piano Solo.....Selected.
R. Fletcher Tilton.
Tenor Solo—"Angels at the Window."....Tours.
J. H. Stubbs.
Duett, *a* {"A Streamlet full of Flowers."....Carb {"Nearest and Dearest." [acciolo.
Miss May McReynolds and J. H. Stubbs.
Soprano Solo—"The Tear."....Bechtel.
Miss May McReynolds.
Divertissement, *a* {Trio. *b* {Banjo.
R. Fletcher Tilton.
Duett, *a* {"A Flight of Clouds."....Caracciolo. *b* {"Spring Song."....Lassen.
Miss May McReynolds and J. H. Stubbs.

The second part of the programme will consist of a commedietta in one act, "Trying it On," which has been revised and elaborated by Mr, Wade Whipple to perfectly suit the amateur artists who will interpret it. The cast includes Mr. Conant, Miss Dora Wilcox, Miss Florence Stevens, and Messrs. Whipple and J. Oscar Stevens.

An Obstreperous Tramp.

On Friday evening last a domestic in the employ of Mr. J. Hervey Doane of La Grande avenue, was summoned to the back door to answer a call made by a tramp. The latter demanded something to eat, and the girl becoming frightened, hastily summoned Mr. Doane. A substantial meal was provided for the stranger, which he wrapped up in paper and carefully stored away "in his inside pocket." The man then went to the next house, and stated that he wanted to see the "owner of the place." He was told that the gentleman occupying the premises was not at home, whereupon the tramp declared that he would await his return. One of the lady inmates of the house stole cautiously to Mr. Doane's residence, and informing him of the matter the latter proceeded to the place, with revolver in hand. Meanwhile the tramp had departed, and it may be said that he displayed remarkably good sense in so doing, for a lady, occupying a room in one of the upper stories, was preparing a pot of boiling water to immerse the intruder in case he refused to leave the place.

A Marvelous Lecture.

The following experiments and many others will be made during the lecture of Leo Daft on "Electric Phenomena," at Music Hall, Thursday evening:

Experiment showing powerful electric light from crude coke.

Six thousand candle arc light from prepared carbons—refractory material fused in the arc, etc.

Incandescent light in vacus—effect of admitting air—brilliant result of excessive current on carbon pencil in air—the incandescent chain—an electric stove—a shower of molten iron, etc.

Ariel magnetism—The magnetic ram—The magnetic chain—The bridge of spikes, etc.

A considerable quantity of powerful apparatus, including a magnet of several tons adhesive capacity, together with powerful dynamos and motors, will be used for the experiments, which will be on a scale rarely attempted during a popular lecture.

Beat His Father-in-Law.

At a match held during last evening in a bountiful household on W. Front street, over 100 pan-cakes were baked to supply the family table. The winner ate thirty-seven and the head of the house thirty-one, which beats the Plainfield record.

Somerset County Petit Jurors.

The following persons have been selected to serve as jurymen at the December term of the Somerset County Courts:

Bedminster—Andrew M. Wortman, John N. Stout, James Apgar, Milford H. Horton, Abraham Hegeman, Abraham Dunn, Robert B. Dunham, Archibald B. Vanderbeek.

Bernards—Wm. R. DeCoster, Dennis H. Layton, Alfred Compton, John B. Dunster, Watson Allen.

Branchburgh—Henry Bacorn, John H. Shaffer, Abraham D. Cole, John S. Hegeman, Abraham H. Lane, Wm. H. Van Fleet, Peter D. Sutphen, James J. Conover.

Bridgewater—Jno. G. Coddington, Jacob K. DeMott, Theo. L. Abbott, Garret Q. Baird, John Allgair, Joseph Miller, James Hunter, Elias Vanneman, John W. Van Horn, Andrew Bell.

Franklin—John L. Suydam, William A. Cortleyou.

Hillsborough—Jacob P. Hall, J. Watson Gulick, George W. Miller, Nelson J. Rouser, Garret Dougherty, John V. Van Neste, John V. D. Bergen, John McDonough, Ebenezer Tingley.

Montgomery—Abraham B. Van Cleef.

North Plainfield—Cornelius C. Harris, Peter V. Weaver.

Warren—Joseph Zeiglio, Peter Newmiller, Wm. Ralph.

By the Flash of a Pistol.

We have before had occasion to speak of the marvelous achievements in photography accomplished by the skill and talent of Mr. Ernest Marx of East Front street. We have in our office large sized photographs of trotting horses taken in action—one of the fast mare "Etelka," showing her going at a 2:40 gait, and at the time of the exposure of the plate with only one foot on the ground; and another of the team "Lucy H." and "Gracie," at a 2:50 gait. Mr. Marx's latest attainment, however, and one never before executed, is the taking of photographs at night. A large-bore pistol is used, loaded with gun-cotton, antimony, magnesium and other explosive and inflammable substances. The photograph is taken instantaneous with the firing of the pistol, and just as its flash illuminates the scene for the briefest space of time imaginable.

WASHINGTONVILLE.

Miss Belle Spencer is visiting her friend, Miss Lizzie Milligan, of Brooklyn.

Mr. Israel Coon is confined to the house by a painful carbuncle on the back of his neck.

Mr. Charlie Howard, formerly of this place, was recently married to a young lady of Rahway, where the groom is now engaged in the grocery business.

A meeting of the mite society was held at the residence of Miss Mollie Wilson, on Friday evening, when a pleasant time was enjoyed by all. The "Mites" contemplate giving their friends a Christmas festival.

A donation visit was tendered to the Rev. Mr. Kimball, pastor of the Union Village M. E. church, at the residence of Mr. Rufus Sage, on Thursday evening. A pleasant time was had by all, and a sumptuous collation was partaken of by all present. A handsome purse, well-filled, was presented to the pastor.

New Jersey Railroad Taxes Over a Million.

The annual report of the State Board of Assessors was filed Thursday in the office of State Comptroller Anderson. It shows an increase over their assessment of last year in aggregate valuation of $2,745,000. The valuation placed upon the property of the leading systems are as follows: Pennsylvania, $60,285,110; Central Railroad of New Jersey, $41,757,859; Philadelphia and Reading, $5,173,916; New York, Lake Erie and Western, $12,346,333; Lehigh Valley, $16,119,314. The Pennsylvania tax bill amounts to $381,000. The Central will pay $278,000, the Lehigh Valley $107,000, the New York, Lake Erie and Western $105,000, and the Philadelphia and Reading $27,300. The whole amount of tax on railroads is in round numbers $1,030,500.

Reporters.

It is not a matter for surprise that the educated and trained members of the reportorial profession are considering what shall be done to protect it from the intrusion of the ignorant, the uncultured and, one has almost said, the disreputable. The time was when the card of a reporter was the credential of a gentleman. Is it so now? Sometimes, but not always. There are reporters—many of them—who are welcome wherever business calls them, for they are courteous, cultivated and considerate. They are the social equals of all, and the intellectual superiors of many with whom their business brings them in contact.—*Ex.*

—A hard winter has been predicted. The corn husks were tight and close, the goose bone was mottled, the hog spleen was thick, the muskrat nest was double lined, and the "oldest inhabitant" has said he thought it looked as if it would be a "middlin' cold snap afore spring." But there's really no telling what the weather will be till Mr. DeVoe speaks.

BORING A GAS-WELL.

A Vivid Description of an Interesting Operation.

The Crude, Transitory, Simple Machinery of a Gas-Well Drill—The Athletic Driller at Work—How the Gas Is Capped and Piped.

You drive across the dry, sunny landscape toward the derrick of the gas-well; you alight, and in a grassy field you come upon a shining black boiler, whose gauges and other appurtenances have a glittering completeness, writes Mary Dean, in the Indianapolis *Journal*. It stands on loose stones and logs of wood, apparently tossed down at random. A tall, swarthy boy, whose hat has lost its brim, is lounging there. Occasionally he opens a door under the boiler, and you see a glowing fire, while he lightly, with a strong, free gesture, tosses in great splinters of coal from a pile dumped on the grass near by. A long, slack belt runs from this boiler into a carlessly-built shed of new boards, and therein stands the engine that runs the gas-well drill that you have come to see; you perceive its huge projecting beam rising and falling as it lifts and drops the well-drill. The engine is small, sturdy, compact, and designed for the express purpose of drilling gas-wells.

Near the engine stands the tall, open structure of the derrick, and in its center hangs the gas-well drill, which is simply an enormous chisel continually rising and falling to the bottom of the well by means of the engine. The derrick stands on a light platform, across one side of which is a seat occupied of evenings by a row of young girls neatly dressed and wrapped, and having their hair prettily arranged. Beyond the row of girls, outside of the derrick, is a crowd of boys frantic to get in. "No!" says the drill-master. "Them boys has got to keep off that bench! That bench is for the ladies!" Other young fellows, in despair of getting in, are laughing, smoking and talking in groups outside. On the other side of the platform of the derrick, opposite the ladies' seat, is a forge in full blast, where the drill is sharpened when needful, and before this stands a group of local dignitaries, stockholders in the well, workingmen and others, comfortably hobnobbing while they watch the work of drilling, and behind them are more hopeless boys raving crazy to get a peep at the drill, but unable to do so.

Nothing is more wonderful than the machinery of a gas-well drill. It is impromptu, it is crude, it is transitory, and it is simple, yet it is amazingly effective—solid wrought steel and brass would not equal it. A peg nailed to a beam, as if just picked up and fastened there, is exactly the right thing, as you see, when the drill-master tosses the end of a rope over it and stops a whirling reel by its means. An iron hook projecting through a hole in a board regulates the throttle of the engine, a dangling rope reverses the engine, which is at a little distance, various poker handles, sticks, rings and strings do the work of a dozen men, for they are close to the hand of the drill-master, and he has no one to help him. He is "boss and all hands." He keeps down the boys, is polite to the lucky ones whom he admits to his derrick platform, regulates the engine and works the drill, which he constantly whirls with his hands, that it may drill the hole circularly, and he can feel if it is going right.

Once in two hours the drill is stopped and is lifted from the well by its suspending rope, which swiftly winds itself on a vast rough windlass, with a pungent friction smoke from hemp and wood; the monstrous drill with a jerk hangs itself high-up in the derrick, at the will of the master, and now the drill-man proceeds to measure the well, which is a hole four inches across, in the middle of the platform. He uses a steel tape, an elegant implement made for the purpose, marked only once in fifty feet, and wound on a reel. He fastens a plummet to a clamp on the end of the tape, and down it drops, one thousand feet to the well's bottom. He winds it up again by hand, carefully wiping the sulphurous dampness away with a clean cloth, and then oiling it with another cloth, lest it be corroded. He announces the depth of the well, and next brings up the minute, broken stone debris from the well's bottom.

The well is dry, being lined with pipe to keep the water out. To clean out its debris he must throw into it a few pails of water, and then, slap dab, down at the end of a rope he drops a tall, slim bucket, swiftly running from another windlass in the derrick. The bucket has a valve in its base through which the water rushes; the weight of the water shuts and holds down the valve while the water is being hoisted.

"Look out, now! Don't get wound up yourself. This isn't a dry-goods store! Hands off, and out of the way every body!

Some handle, hook or crook reverses the bucket windlass, and, bang, up comes the bucket, as quickly as it fell, and, whang! it is dumped into a hole in the floor with a thud that knocks the valve off and lets the water, with its debris of stone chips run away out of sight. Then the bucket flies up to its place on a hook high in the derrick.

Every thing is done with a jerking velocity, every thing is balanced by a rough log, or other seeming careless appliance, so that it floats off at a touch; every thing shows American economy and adaptation. The driller himself is an athlete and a capable person.

When gas is struck, if the well belongs to the Standard Oil Company, it is capped; not an ounce is wasted, and if to be marketed the gas is piped in the costly and magnificent wrought-iron pipes of this great company, whose T joints require two men to lift them. If the well belongs to a small amateur company, it is lighted and wastes itself indefinitely with an odd, howling scream, that affects the mind strangely. The scream of a burning gas well is a new sound on this planet. After a long time, perhaps, the amateurs will put down some cheap pipes having lead joints which melt at the least heat, whence will come smells, explosions and conflagrations.

What the President Eats.

President Cleveland sits down three times a day to one of the best-served private tables in Washington. He does not affect to be a judge of good things in general, nor is he especially solicitous over what he shall eat or drink, but, nevertheless, there were none of his distinguished predecessors who enjoyed good things in life more than he does. His friends are so well aware of his extreme fondness for game and fish that the Presidential refrigerator, adjoining the roomy, old-fashioned kitchen in the mansion, is rarely without a big stock of presents of this kind, and all this is amply supplemented by the purchases made by the house steward, who buys judiciously and generously of the very best the market affords.

A Fast Prairie Yacht.

H. F. Snedigar, of Iroquois, D. T., has a prairie yacht in which he skims over the country. It consists simply of an ordinary road wagon to which sails are attached, and there is a steering apparatus in front. He recently traveled from Iroquois to Huron, a distance of eighteen miles, in an hour and a half, with a light wind.

SINGULAR RE-UNION.

Brother and Sister Meet After a Separation of Twenty-five Years.

There was recently published an account of the reunion of Frank Dyer, the adopted brother of Prof. S. J. Robbins, of Brighton, and his brother and sister from whom he had been separated twenty-five years. Mr. Dyer, who is a conductor on the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska road, was left with Prof. Robbins' father while an infant. His father was on the way to Vermont to take his wife to an insane asylum, and after leaving Frank with Mr. Robbins did not reclaim him. Frank grew to manhood without knowing anything of his own parents, and was treated as a son by Mr. Robbins and as a brother by Prof. Robbins. Recently he learned by accident that he had a sister living in Brattleboro, Vt., and he came East to visit her. He was accompanied by Prof. Robbins. The Brattleboro *Examiner* gives further particulars of the case which have been learned recently. It says:

Mr. Dyer placed his wife in the Brattleboro asylum and took the remaining children, Victor and Helen, to their grandparents in East Greenwich, N. Y., and returned to the West, whence he never came to inquire the fate of his youngest child, and died many years ago. Victor, after a few years, joined his father in the West and has remained there ever since, at the present time being a dealer in music in the city of Lincoln, Neb., while his brother Frank has traveled constantly in his capacity of conductor within forty miles of him for four years and knew not of a living brother. Helen, on arriving at womanhood, married Henry B. Larkin, an industrious young man, and in order to be near Mrs. Dyer, who is still alive at the asylum, they moved to Brattleboro, where they are respected residents. Mr. Larkin being the well-known miller of Centerville. In spite of the condition of the mother, the poor creature still retained in her beclouded mind a memory of her lost child, and still, though the years rolled on faster than her feebie brain could reckon, she would speak of her baby boy. It was owing to this fact that Mrs. Larkin, whenever she visited New York State, which she did many times after removing to this place, would inquire for her brother without success, although she frequently passed near his home, until last August, when she was repeating her "oft-repeated tale" in Syracuse depot she was overheard by a conductor, who, after hearing the story, became convinced that Conductor Dyer was the missing brother. Accordingly Prof. Robbins was notified, and he, by corresponding with Mrs. Larkin, was able to establish the relationship. Prof. Robbins and Mr. Dyer arrived at Brattleboro recently and the meeting between the long-separated sister and brother was a most touching and joyful one. A visit was made to the asylum, and the mother instinct in Mrs. Dyer was able to comprehend that her son stood before her, and she manifested every evidence of delight at seeing him, kissing him again and again, and clinging to him as only a mother will.

A WOMAN'S TRICK.

She Lifted a Purse and Paid Dearly for Her Amusement.

A Chicago woman thought she would play a trick upon a lady friend who was accustomed to carry her pocket-book in her muff and to cure her of the habit. In strolling together about a store the woman saw, as she supposed, her friend's sealskin muff left on the table. As the apparently veritable purse peeped out of it she quickly confiscated it. How the experiment succeeded the player of the prank relates: We soon left the gallery, and though I thought it strange my friend had not noticed the loss on resuming her muff, I said nothing until the conductor on the street car came in front of us. "Let me pay," she said. "All right. Where's your purse?" I queried.

"Why, here it is!" she answered, surprised at my question, and drawing her hand from her seal-skin muff, showed her porte-monnaie. "Then whose is this?" I asked in dismay, showing the one I had abstracted. "How do I know?" "I found it in your muff on the table." "I laid my muff on the counter—not on the table." "There was a lady in the store buying engravings—perhaps that muff on the table was hers." We left the car instantly, and hurried back through the winter twilight to the art gallery. We—or rather I—told my mortifying tale, and saw in the merchant's face a thinly disguised vexation and contempt. The purse had been the property of the third lady in the store, who on preparing to pay for the purchases, and, finding her purse abstracted from her muff, had made some very bitter remarks, which the proprietor rightfully felt reflected on the character of his store and the standing of his patrons. He had made her loss more than good by requiring no pay for the engravings sold her. As she had taken her purchases with her he could give no clew to her identification, except that she lived on the West Side. I had noticed the lady's personal appearance, and this, coupled with the vague hint of her residence on the West Side, was all I had to go on. I kept my eyes open everywhere, and finally I saw her one day, weeks afterward, in a big dry-goods store in the elevator. Imagine, if you can, my shame and embarrassment in reciting my foolish prank, while the haughty contempt and silent incredulity of her manner heated red-hot the iron which was entering my very soul. No more practical jokes for me."

TRADE AND LABOR.

ST. LOUIS is running greatly to barb wire.

THE glass works at North Baltimore, O., will cost $100,000.

SHIPMENTS of cannel and coal are increasing in the Brush Creek (O.) district.

THE McDonald mill, St. Louis, is running regularly under the receiver's manage ment.

THE new fields opened up this summer at Perth, Ind., are taking out 8,000 tons per month.

A SHEET of plate glass measuring 121x183 inches was recently made at the plate-glass works at Butler, Pa.

THE Alabama and Tennessee Coal & Iron Company, of Florence, Ala., will soon begin building their coke ovens.

IT is said Samuel Thomas, of Birmingham, Ala., and T. H. Woodward will build a rolling mill soon at Oxford, same State.

BUSINESS among the tack and nail makers at Taunton, Mass., is dull, but not as dull as might be. Nearly all the shops are running for production on orders.

A COMPANY of capitalists have gained control of the coal property owned by Mr. Rice, near Pittston, Pa., and propose to at once commence its active development.

THE steel boiler-plates for the boilers of the six boats ordered by the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba railroad will be 15.32 inches gauge, and 12 feet by 12 feet 6 inches.

BUSINESS at the Michigan Car Works, Detroit, the pipe foundry and the car-wheel works is on the increase, and the companies have orders on hand to keep the men employed all winter. The pay-roll at the car works for September was $103,000, or $9,000 more than for August.

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"FOUNDERED."

Gayly she sailed from the Northern port, in the
dawn of the April day,
When the sunrise touched the Nab's black
crest, and blushed over Whitby bay.

Father and two bold sons were there, as blithe
as the morn all three.
"What ails thee, mate," to the fourth they said
"does aught go wrong with thee?

"By the birds that swoop round Kettleness
there's fish where our lines we set,
And the brave new coble springs to her work,
as no boat has served us yet."

"Ay, the coble's tight and strong enow, an'
know what the sea-gulls mean,
But I left my missus bad up there," and h
glanced at the headland green,

Where a red roof hung like a marten's nest
and his bold brown eyes grew dim;
With kindly cheer and honest jest, his fellows
heartened him.

Or ever the sun was high at noon, the bright
blue sky was black,
The wild white horses tossed their crests over
the gathering wrack;

Over the gray seas fast and fierce, through the
clouds of flying foam,
The squall swept on from the cruel East—the
boat was far from home.

Three women watched from the great pier
head, through the black and bitter night:
One lay and shivered to hear the blast, as it
rushed o'er the rocky height,

And nestled closely to her side lay her little
new-born son.
While the women said: "He'll back to see,
long ere the day is done."

But ever the pale cheek flushed and burned,
and ever the eyes grew wild:
She bade them take the babe away, "for he'll
never see his child."

Many a boat in bootless search flew over the
lessening waves,
Many a keen eye strained its sight, from the
Head with its crowded graves:

But the April days, in shade and shine, passed
in a deepening pain,
And never over the harbor bar came the "Whitby Lass" again.

Hope sank and rose, and sank and died; the
fishermen knew at last,
That found deep-sea harvest and busy staithes,
four gallant "hands" had passed.

They found the boat on the flowing tide, ere the
year to winter grew;
Her sails were rent, her block was jammed, her
strop was half cut through.

That was all to tell of the desperate strife that
for life and death they made,
Who sank to the depths of the great North Sea,
with never a hand to aid.

—*All the Year Round.*

AN ORPHAN BOY.

The Provisions Made for His Adoption and Care.

"How I do wish we could have a ripple of incident in our daily life," said Millicent More, closing her book with a sigh.

"Nothing ever happens to us," said her cousin Catherine, with a smile, as she bent forward to pick a dead leaf off her pet geranium.

Millicent and Catherine More were girls of twenty-two and twenty-five; "old maids," the seventeen-year-olders called them, who taught school and supported themselves comfortably by their own unaided efforts. Millicent was pretty, with red lips, a clear, bright complexion and hair touched with the warm, auburn-gold that artists copy and poets rave of, and Millicent had not quite given up her little dream of love and matrimony, but Catherine never spoke of such things. Catherine was small and plain, with ordinary gray eyes, hair like every body's else, and not the slightest pretentions to beauty.

But the two cousins were very happy together after their own unpretentious fashion, Millicent supplying the sentimental and poetical element and Catherine contentedly devoting herself out of school hours to the housekeeping.

And upon this particular December afternoon, just as the girls were deploring the monotony of their daily life, the postman tapped at the door with a letter.

"A letter!" cried Millicent.

"For me?" echoed Catherine.

And the cousins read it with their arms twined around each other and their heads very close together.

"Uncle George is dead out in Australia!" gasped Millicent.

"Oh, Milly—and he has left an orphan boy!" added Catherine, the tears brimming into her eyes. "We must adopt him, Milly—we must bring him up."

Millicent drew back a little.

"I don't see why," said she, somewhat coldly. "Uncle George never did any thing for us!"

"We never asked him to, Milly."

"But he knew we were forced to support ourselves!"

"Perhaps, dear, he was even poorer than we. At all events, he is dead now—and this child is left alone in the world. I'll sit down and write to the lawyer this minute."

"So!" said Millicent compressing her lips. "Do you mean that you really intend taking a great, rough, half-civilized boy into this house!"

"Certainly, I do," said Catherine, earnestly. "Oh, Mill—a motherless child!"

"In that case," said Millicent, "I shall not remain here. If you choose to open a gratis orphan asylum, it is no reason that my slender income should be squandered to feed your fancies."

"But, Milly, your salary is larger than mine!"

"And I do not mean to scatter it for a mere chimera. This child has no sort of claim upon either of us. Let the Australian authorities provide for him!"

And Millicent More could not be persuaded to take any other view of the question than this. The next day she told her cousin that she had made arrangements to secure a home with Miss Keturah Bayley, who took "a few select boarders," in the next street.

And then Catherine sat down to consider ways and means. She had taken the house for a year—there was no receding from the rent question.

"I'll let the lower story to Mrs. Hopper, the milliner," said she to herself. "I never used to like the idea of living in half a house, but all pride must be laid aside now. I will take the back bed-room myself, and little Willie shall have the front room that looks out on the street. I shall have to do without the new silk dress, and to countermand my subscription to the 'Illustrated Encyclopedia,' but I shall not mind that; I'll discharge Hannah and engage little Dorcas Brown, who is so fond of children, and has such a winning way with her. And I know we will get along splendidly—though, to be sure, I shall have to ask Lawyer Goodale for copying to do at home in the evening, for I must be laying up a little something against Willie's college education."

For it never occurred to Catherine More treated at Windsor and Osborne, where, during the whole time of their service, they never have a word addressed to them directly by their royal mistress, but receive all her communications through the intermediary of the Lord-in-waiting, or some other equally lofty functionary of the Household.

There is nothing that "Unser Fritz" is fonder of than a joke, but unlike the English Prince he knows how to keep his temper when the victim retaliates in kind. Many of these merry encounters used to take place at the swimming establishment of the Guards Regiment at Potsdam, where he was a constant visitor. His appearance there was always hailed with delight and was the signal for the beginning of a series of aquatic "larks." A splendid swimmer and expert diver, he was nevertheless ducked by the soldiers as often as he ducked them. One of his greatest delights was getting a crowd assembled on the raft floating in midstream and then capsize himself and those with him pell mell into the water.

His present malady is evidently of a hereditary nature. His grandmother, the beautiful Queen Louise of Prussia, having died of a cancerous tumor in the neighborhood of the heart. This fact, which I do not believe is known outside of court circles in Berlin, ought to dispose of the rumors which seek to attribute his disease to a disgraceful source. Never has a more unfounded charge been made, and I do not believe that a man has ever led a purer and more wholesome life than "Unser Fritz."

Few people are aware of the terrible danger he incurred in June, 1874, when out driving near the Wildpark station, in the outskirts of Potsdam. He was driving across the rails when suddenly the heavy barriers, which are worked at a considerable distance, were let down on the approach of an express train. His carriage was thus caught between two closed barriers, and it was only by the most superhuman efforts that he was able to raise one of them and to get the vehicle off the track before the train rushed by.

During his stay last year in England with the Crown Princess, the latter met one of her old nurses at Windsor, who, when asked if she had any message for her married sister at Berlin, replied that she would be grateful if the Princess would inform her sister that she would send her little girl across to Berlin as soon as she found a convenient opportunity. On asking for an explanation, the Princess discovered that the child, who was five years old, had been invited by her aunt in Berlin, married to a doctor there, to stay with her. Her Imperial Highness immediately offered to take charge of the little girl, and after having put a stop to her old nurse's hesitation about accepting such a favor, made all the necessary arrangements. On the day of the departure the child, a bright, pretty and merry little soul, was brought to Buckingham Palace and intrusted to the Princess, on whose lap she traveled most of the way from London to Berlin, artlessly prattling and keeping up a running fire of conversation. On the boat, while talking in the cabin, there was a sudden pause in the conversation. The little girl looked for a few moments inquiringly from the Crown Prince to the Crown Princess and at length exclaimed: "Don't be shy, Royal Highness, ask me any thing you want to know." Of course a shout of laughter was the result, and whenever the young Princesses want to raise a laugh they implore their parents "not to be shy."

Before concluding I may add that the Crown Prince's winning and cordial bearing was the chief cause of the hearty manner in which the Bavarian and other South German troops under his command in 1870 forgot their hereditary hatred of Prussia and co-operated so thoroughly with the Prussian soldiers. The Prince is immensely popular in the South, and has done more to reconcile its union to the North than any thing or anybody else.

TWO CYCLONE STORIES.

How the Sight of a Funnel-Shaped Cloud Affects a Man.

The other day at the Press Club rooms a group of reporters were relating personal experiences, says the Milwaukee *Sentinel*. "The most thrilling sight I ever saw," said one, "was the howling cyclone at Racine about four years ago. I never want to see another, for the sight scared away ten years of my life. I saw a big, copper-colored, funnel-shaped cloud approaching, and, anticipating that there would be a lively storm, went to the top story of the Y. M. C. A. building to see it break over the city. The immense funnel came nearer and nearer, lower and lower, majestically approaching the Bohemian quarter of the city. Then, to my horror, buildings were tossed in the air like dice thrown from a box, mingling in indescribable confusion with sections of fences, broken and uprooted trees, all in a cloud of dust. I can't describe the terror that took possession of me when I saw the big houses flying through the air, and to this day I do not know how I got down the several flights of stairs and out of the building. When I recovered my composure I was ten blocks away in the opposite direction, all out of breath. I don't think I ever ran the distance in such a short period of time as that day trying to run away from that cyclone."

"That reminds me," said one of the listeners, "of a little episode that put a few gray hairs in my head. It was in Dakota and occurred only last year. I was working on a St. Paul paper and had been sent on a special mission into the adjoining Territory. A friend of mine had taken a claim in Dickey County, and I took advantage of the opportunity afforded to pay him a visit. We were having a social chat when I observed an anxious look come over his face. He stepped to the window, and with blanched face shouted to me and the members of his family:

"'Rush for the cellar.'

"'What's the matter?' I asked.

"'I'm afraid there will be a cyclone,' he answered, 'and I would rather be in the cellar than in the garret.'

"'I would like to see a cyclone,' I said, and took my place by the window, while the others rushed for the cellar, expecting me to follow. I confess I did not anticipate that my friend's fears were well-founded, for I saw nothing alarming in the cloud that was traveling toward the place. There was a barn a little ways beyond, and the cloud seemed to be making a bee-line for it. There was an oppressive stillness for a minute or two, then a few gusts of wind, and, before I had time to think, that barn went sailing up towards the sky, and was carried bodily over the roof of the house like a mere toy. The house itself seemed to be lifted up several feet upon one end and then settled down again gently, as though some giant's hand had tilted it and set it back uninjured. Was I scared? My hair stood on end, and when I saw that barn sailing in the air I wished I had taken my friend's advice and crept into the cellar. The barn was scattered for a distance of several miles. We couldn't find enough sound boards to build a respectable hen-coop. That same cyclone played a curious freak on three men engaged in baking potatoes in a little shanty near by. It sucked up the roof and sides of the little structure, with the men, leaving the floor intact, carried them a quarter of a mile in a jiffy, and set them down right in the middle of a potato field."

CANES FOR EVERY BODY.

A Chapter on the Average Dude's Great Reliance.

What Woods They Are Made Of—Where They Grow and How They Are Polished—A Glimpse Into the Melting Pot.

There is great activity among the cane-makers. They are working day and night to fill orders. These orders are mostly for canes of the higher prices, with gold or silver heads. The popular demand for canes is not in the line of rare and curious woods, but rather for inferior material in the sticks and more expensive decoration. The cheaper sticks, such as are sold on the sidewalks and at summer resorts, are made of nanaberry wood, hickory, water beech and dogwood. These sticks are grown in New Jersey and the northern part of New York State.

The process of getting these canes ready for the market consists merely in straightening, sandpapering and polishing. These cheap varieties are never ornamented with gold or silver, and they are sold from five to fifteen cents apiece. Among the imported sticks are those made of olive wood, which is brought from Algeria through the London market. Another popular variety of wood is English hazel. A very fine hazel wood stick is grown in Germany. Hazel wood is chiefly prized for the beauty of its bark, which is particularly true of the English silver bark. These sticks are brought to this country with natural crook handles, and are ornamented with gold, silver and buckhorn heads.

Another variety of wood sought after by cane carriers is the French crab. These sticks are cultivated on cane farms in the vicinity of Paris. They are used with and without the bark, and fetch higher prices than hazel.

A very expensive cane is made from the Madagascar or Ceylon vein. This wood is warty and knotty. It is carried in its natural condition with a knob on each stick. A highly-prized cane is made from Malacca cane, of the rattan species. These sticks are largely used for mounting purposes They are about equal in value to the hazel. Other beautiful canes are made from English oak, prunelle and German cherry. A comparatively rare cane is manufactured from the hide of the sea cow. It is semi-transparent, like amber.

But the woods which are always in demand, and which none of the vagaries of fashion have driven from their secure position in public estimation, are the rosewood, ebony and snakewood. These varieties have practically a monopoly of elegant mountings. A solid gold head is seldom, if ever, put on any thing less rare than the three varities. Snakewood is peculiarly striking in appearance, much resembling the mottled skin of a rattlesnake.

Among the names for the different kinds of canes are the Pistol Butt, the Prince of Wales Knob, the Opera Hook, Crutch Hook, the Mascot Hook and the Mascot Crutch.

Never before in the history of cane making have there been so many gold and silver-headed canes carried as at present. The majority of these mountings are not solid, as a great many persons erroneously suppose. They are made of a thin shell, which is usually one-sixth gold or silver and four-sixths baser metal.

The process of manufacture of these metal heads is very interesting. An inquisitive New York *Evening Sun* man climbed two dingy flights of stairs in Fulton street to see how the heads were made. He was first shown a series of steel dies with which the cane heads were pressed into the desired shapes. The edges of the two pieces were then joined together with gold solder, just as the halves of a walnut shell might be welded. This shell was then filled with melted lead, so as to form a solid ground upon which the gold chasers can work, to whom the cane lead was then passed for ornamentation. After the chasers have cut the yielding metal into figured designs the head was covered with whiting and submitted to the fierce heat of a gas jet, which caused the lead to run out. Then the cane head was polished and fastened upon the cane.

A most interesting process was that by which the gold was separated from the baser metals. All the odd pieces of metal which were left over, like shoemaker's parings, were thrown into a big earthen preserve jar. Nitric acid was poured upon these scraps. A chemical action was then begun by which the gold was separated from the baser metals. A white and suffocating smoke arose which was stifling.

The liquid in the jar assumed a deep blue color, and big golden bubbles rose to the surface. The contents of the jar simmered and seethed, and all the time the acid was getting in its work separating the purer metal from the baser composition. The liquid was constantly assuming varying changes in color, until it gradually settled down into a vivid green. Then the gold shavings were fished out and dried in a copper dipper over a portable forge. The gold shavings were then placed in a little sand crucible, which was wedged between two glowing pieces of charcoal. In the intense heat of the fire the gold shavings were soon reduced to a liquid state and cast into bars to be used for soldering purposes. The place where this process is carried on employs only about a dozen men, yet the proprietors sell all the water, which is used for washing purposes, the ashes from the portable forge, and the aprons, besides the sweepings from the floor, for four hundred dollars a year.

The reporter heard all this in wonder, and looked at the mysteries of the melting pot with amazement. Then he went down on the sidewalk and shook himself, and dust like that from a butterfly's wing fell from his clothing in a golden shower.

Growth of Ladies' Pocketbooks.

The evolution of the ladies' pocketbooks is wonderful. One year ago the ladies were satisfied with a diminutive affair they could hide in the palms of their hands. In 365 days the pocketbook has grown to the length of a good-sized healthy ear of corn. Here are illustrations showing the length the pocketbook has grown every three months:

January 1, 1887.
April 1, 1887.
July 1, 1887.
October 1, 1887.
January 1, 1888.

If this keeps on the pocketbooks will grow in another year long enough to be used as a walking-stick.

BANANA and bonanza sound a good deal alike, and they are both mighty slippery.—*Washington Critic.*

SOLDIERS IN OLD AGE.

How They Are Treated by Foreign Governments.

Rules Governing the Relief of Invalids in Germany, France, Russia and Spain—The Complicated Pension Machine of China.

In reply to official interrogation, General John Black, Commissioner of Pensions, has just received from most of the European nations a compendium of their laws and customs in the matter of pensions, and they are, by contrast with our own, of profound interest to every soldier. General Black has kindly given to the Washington correspondent of the Chicago *Herald* access to the manuscript of this important correspondence, and he has "boiled it down" within the easy grasp of the hasty reader.

Foreign military laws assume that every citizen owes the state his life, and so, of course, that the state owes the citizen nothing. A pension, therefore, in foreign countries assumes the distinct form of a charity, granted to a man who owes society the service of a life-time without regard to any compensation whatever.

The French Republic grants pensions for permanent disability and for prolonged service—twenty-five or thirty years. This last is called a "retirement pension," and is, after thirty years, 120 a year for a private soldier, and other sums up to 2,000 a year for a Major-General. The officer or private is allowed to re-enlist, and receives an advance in his pay. For all active service they get time allowances to hasten their service pension. A pension for disability is always as great as the service, and if entirely disabled the soldier can get an increase over it of twenty or thirty per cent. A widow gets about half the pension to which the soldier himself would have been been entitled.

The French have a queer sort of small pension called "the reform pension." It benefits officers who are "off duty," who can not be recalled to active service and are not entitled to the service pension. They are either undergoing discipline or are off duty on account of an incurable disability not shown to be chargeable to the service. The pension system of the German Empire is the most elaborate in Europe. If an officer is discharged after ten years for being incapacitated for the service he is allowed a pension equal to one-fourth of his former pay, and one-eightieth additional for each year of service longer than ten years. Any officer at sixty can retire from the army on a pension. Widows' pensions are granted only to those whose husbands have died within one year of the conclusion of peace, and they are good "for one year after widowhood and one year after marriage." Widows of Generals are allowed 350 a year; of Colonels and staff officers, 300; of line officers, 200. Non-commissioned officers and privates can claim an invalid pension if disabled in the service or after a service of eight years. After eighteen years' service they are entitled to a pension without disability. The pension of privates and non-commissioned officers ranges from $2 to $12 a month. The child of a deceased officer is allowed $50 a year as an educational fund till seventeen years of age; and each child of a deceased private or non-commissioned officer is entitled to 3.50 a month till the completion of the fifteenth year.

All applicants for pensions in Spain get pay till their claim has been passed on. Private soldiers receive from $2 to $4 a month in case of total disability, and after twenty years of faithful service. Officers receive pensions of 300 to $1,600 a year for entire loss of sight or a limb in service. Soldiers found begging are arrested, but if their destitution is caused by negligence of an officer, the officer is suspended and punished. All officers are allowed to retire on half-pay after twenty-five years of faithful service, and on full pay after thirty-five.

The pension system in Russia is a sort of soldiers' insurance company. By a donation of the imperial treasury and a taxation of the whole army for a number of years a fund of $50,000,000 was accumulated, and from this all pensions are paid. The pension to officers ranges from 200 to $1,400 a year, and the widow of an officer killed in war is entitled to the whole of her husband's pension; in case of her death, the children. Officers who are totally disabled receive a pension equivalent to their pay. Pensions are generally distributed by a committee, which, in fixing the amount, takes note of the beneficiary's financial condition, giving him money in proportion to his needs.

The pension machine of the Mongolians is very complicated and very peculiar. Under the Chinese code no soldier, disabled or otherwise, has any "right" to a pension, as the pension depends, not on any law or regulation, but on the arbitrary exercise of the will of the Emperor. In fact, the money occasionally received by disabled soldiers is not called a "pension" at all, but "a mark of compassionate distinction."

The heathen Chinese is sharp, ingenious and frugal. He manages, very nearly, to make his warriors fight for nothing and board themselves. The pay of cavalry soldiers is about 2.50 a month; of infantry, 2; and of troops on garrison duty, 1.25 a month. If an ordinary infantry soldier is killed in battle his relatives receive a gratuity of 30. If he has no relations the sum of 3 is appropriated to pay for sacrifices at his grave. But the Chinese Government has one dodge that is comparatively inexpensive and is said to work to a charm. A good deal of money is saved every year by promoting dead officers instead of pensioning them. In the case of a high officer of the second or third-class dying in camp of disease, "the sixth-class button will be conferred on his oldest son." In the case of death by storm, a little money and a good deal of honor will be awarded, the dead man being promoted at once to a high brevet rank—Captains being promoted to be Colonels and Colonels to be Major-Generals, as soon as it is certain that they are dead. In this way a good deal of money is saved. Posthumous rank is made a sort of legal tender. It is remarkable that this shrewd idea has not been utilized in other armies—in the French, for instance.

Always Grumbling.

The grumbler is a grumbler partly by nature and partly by force of habit. It is not often that he is brought to see and acknowledge the absurdity of the practice. In the case of the young Irishman who is reported below he was honest enough to own that the fault was with himself and not with New Zealand which he was running down. "Arrah! this country is no good," said he, "the best of the land's all taken up, and you can't get work when you want it—and little enough wages, too." When he was cross-examined, he admitted that he had been five weeks at harvesting and was twenty-five pounds in pocket. "Troth, that's a fact," said he; "I cleared five pounds a week. You see I'm one of those chaps that's always grumbling, and don't know when they're well off."

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HISTORY OF MANNA.

Interesting Facts Concerning the Food Sent by God to the Israelites.

Looking up to see what was wanted, writes Mr. Robert M. Floyd, I found a small, bright question mark standing in front of me, which immediately asked:

"What's manna?"

Why, manna is the food sent through God's goodness to feed the Jews while in the wilderness.

"Yes, yes, Uncle? but what was it like?"

It's hard to own up to a child, "I don't know," but it prevents your being caught in ignorance on the same subject twice.

Manna, in the Bible, is described: "In the morning the dew lay round about," and "when it was gone up," then "upon the wilderness there lay a small, round thing, as small as hoar frost, on the ground." "They gathered it every morning," for "when the sun waxed hot, it melted." Its taste was like "wafers made with honey." They "did eat manna forty years."

The name or word "manna" is derived from the expression used by the Israelites when they first beheld the "bread from Heaven," for they exclaimed "man"—"it is a gift," or "man-hu"—"what is it."

Leaving sacred history we find manna defined in pharmacy as the sweet concrete juice which is obtained by incisions made in the stem of a species of ash—*Fraxinus Ornus*, a native of Sicily and Southern Europe. It is in flakes of pale yellowish color and is generally used as a mild laxative and as an adjunct to more active medicines.

There are various kinds of manna known: the Alhagi, Tamarisk, Shirkhist, Oak, Australian and Briancon.

Referring to explorers we find that, although Burckhardt's travels date back seventy years, his works are still accepted as authority, and in a review of them in 1820 by the *Edinburgh Review*, we find that "during Mr. Burckhardt's first visit to the peninsula, he met with a substance which he considers to be the same as the manna mentioned in the Books of Moses His description is as follows: The Bedouins collect to this day (1819) the manna, under the very same circumstances described in the Books of Moses. Whenever the rains have been plentiful during the winter, it drops abundantly from the tamarisk (in Arabic *asfar*), a tree very common in the Syrian and Arabian deserts. They gather it before sunrise, because if left in the sun it melts. Its taste is very sweet, much resembling honey. They use it as we do sugar, principally in dishes composed with flour. When purified over the fire, it keeps for many months."

Ehrenberg, a German naturalist, explored the same territory at about the same period, and he affirmed manna to have been the saccharine substance called "Mount Sinai manna," yielded by the shrub *Tamariscus manulfera* of that region, a species of tamarisk, hence Divine or spiritual food. Britannica states that "the manna of Scripture, notwithstanding the miraculous circumstances which distinguish it in the Biblical narrative from any thing now known, answers in its description very closely to the tamarisk manna," as shown by Burckhardt and Ehrenberg.

A MONSTER RATTLER.

How a Brave Mother Saved Her Little One from Its Attacks.

George Bokar lives on the Heights, a suburb, of Palatka, Fla., and his house is well surrounded by orange trees. The other morning one of his children was heard to scream loudly in the grove, and a big house dog, hearing the noise, flew to the child's relief. The mother heard the child's cries, but at first supposed the little one was playing; but, as the child did not return soon, she became alarmed and ran out among the trees. Coming upon her little one, about two hundred yards from the house, she almost fainted at the sight before her. On a slight hillock lay her child, while coiled on its breast, with head erect and tongue out, was a huge rattler. Its ominous rattle sounded loud and warning, while its eyes shot forth sparks of fire as it slowly turned its head around in a circle keeping watch of the dog, who trotted slowly around the snake, keeping his eyes on the reptile's basilisk eyes of fire—a low growling and the upturning of his hair showing his fear and anger. The snake seemed to have fairly fascinated the dog, the canine walked round and round slowly coming nearer, but all the while growling as if knowing that danger was near.

Brave Mrs. Boker, seeing the life of her child at stake, picked up a pine knot and hurled it at the rattler, and with rare good luck striking it on the head and knocking it several feet away. Rushing forward she picked up the child and ran to the house. Her husband came up at that moment and soon dispatched the reptile, which measured eight feet long and was as large around as an average man's arm at the shoulder, and sported sixteen rattles and a button. The dog barked loudly when the serpent was knocked over, but did not offer to bite it, though generally furious at the sight of one. For over an hour the dog continued to walk around the knoll, till it fell from exhaustion, and was taken to the house and given spirits. The dog was not struck, but seemed charmed. The child was not bit ten either, but has been sick since from fright and nervous prostration. It was the largest rattler ever killed in this section, and has been stuffed.

A BUYER OF SOFAS.

The Strange Mania of an Industrious New York German.

Ernest Loefler, a sturdy son of Germany, residing not far from the upper end of Central Park, on the West Side, says the *New York Commercial Advertiser*, is a crank on one subject, though sane enough on every other. A few years ago he read a story in a newspaper about some person buying an old sofa at auction and afterward finding a large sum of money stowed away among the broken springs and hair stuffings. He became imbued with the idea that he, too, might be equally fortunate, and has ever since haunted the cheap auction houses and persistently bid on old lounges, a new one, be it ever so cheap, having no charms for him. It so happened that shortly after this strange freak seized him, Loefler did find a twenty-dollar gold piece between the back and seat of one of his purchases. That unfortunate find made him a monomaniac on the subject of finding a hidden fortune. Almost every morning his familiar face may be seen haunting the up-town auction stores on the lookout for bargains in old sofas. But, notwithstanding his eccentricity, Ernest is an industrious man, and spends all the time not devoted to auctions in tinkering up his dilapidated purchases, for which he finds a sale either at cheap furniture stores or at auction again. When he began his sofa-buying, he was a common laborer. Now he is an expert in old furniture, and frequently turns a handsome penny by working over his purchases after he has gone carefully through them and combed every hair or spear of sea-grass and string of excelsior contained therein in his quest for treasures. In ten years he has managed to accumulate some quaint specimens in the sofa line, and the upper part of the old shed that serves him for a workshop is a museum of ancient and odd bits of furniture. In his dwelling sofas abound in every room to the exclusion of chairs and beds. Loefler is believed to have comfortable balances in at least two savings banks in the city.

THE PROPHET'S COUNSEL.

Day through no lenghtening shadow of a palm
Nor crest of hill had cast
A wing of shelter in that desert calm,
Glaring, unbroken, vast.

So, prophet and slave alike, when night fell down
With heat and thirst oppress,
Hastened to fling their aching bodies prone
Upon the sands to rest.

"Allah has care for all His children," sighed
One of the band. "alway
He watches; though my camel is not tied,
He will not let it stray!"

The prophet, hearing, lifted his gray head,
And with stern finger raised,
"Allah be trusted always, friend," he said
"Allah be always praised,

"But tie your camel first!" and then to sleep.
His patriach forehead bent,
While he, the one rebuked, made haste to creep
Obedient from his tent.

That trust is sweetest and that faith the best
Which, having done such share
As human life demands, then leaves the rest
To the dear Father's care.
—*Mrs. Clara Doty Bates, in Chautauquan.*

FREDERICK WILLIAM.

Reminiscences of the Crown Prince of Germany by a Godson.

As to the Crown Prince it is no exaggeration to state that he is the beau ideal of all that is finest, noblest and best of the great German race, writes a godson of the doomed Prince in the New York *Tribune*. "A tall, handsome and noble-looking man, with an elegant figure, light brown hair, and a straw-colored beard, with a most chivalrous and yet somewhat grave courtesy—a Teuton, in fact, such as Tacitus describes" is the portrait which the Empress Eugenie draws of him in writing to her friend the Comtesse Walewski. His name, his appearance and his character are famous throughout the world; they are as well known in Japan and in China as in America or Europe. No breath of scandal has ever tarnished his fair fame, either as officer, gentleman or in his domestic relations, and probably the highest testimony in his favor is the fact that the French, with all their intense vindictiveness against the Germans, have never either uttered or published a single offensive remark about him, and that although he was one of the principal leaders of the invading army in 1870, his death will be nowhere more sincerely regretted than in France. A singularly devoted husband, his undisguised admiration for his clever and talented wife has given rise to the rumor that he is entirely subservient to her will. Those who make this assertion know the Prince but little. That it is entirely false every one who has had the opportunity of becoming acquainted with the strongly defined features of his sterling and upright character will readily admit. Few parents have ever devoted themselves more completely to their children, and with the solitary exception of Prince William, whose conduct toward his father and mother has been far from exemplary, the tenderest relations exist between the Crown Prince and Princess and their children. Never was depth and intensity of feeling more strikingly displayed than at the funeral of Prince Waldemar, an exceedingly bright and loving twelve-year-old boy, and the favorite child of "Unser Fritz" and his wife. Few of those who were present on March 29, 1879, in the Friedenskirche, at Potsdam, will forget the scene. When the services had ended and the choir were singing the beautiful hymn: "Wenn ich einmal soll scheiden, so scheidenicht von mir," the Crown Prince strode up to the coffin and threw himself on his knees at the feet of his much-loved child. Quietly and gently the Empress and her daughter, the Grand Duchess of Baden, stole up and knelt down beside him. After about ten minutes he arose, pressed a long kiss on the velvet-covered lid of the coffin, and having assisted his mother to rise to her feet, led her out of the church, the tears meanwhile streaming down his face. It is a moving thing to see a man weep, especially when the mourner is so glorious a specimen of manhood as the Crown Prince, and there were few dry eyes in the church.

Those who like myself have had frequent opportunities of seeing the Crown Prince in civilian dress, will have noticed that he always wears a little silver coin mounted as a scarf-pin in his cravat. Remarking one day that the person with whom he was conversing was observing the pin with some curiosity, he pulled it out of his scarf and said: "This little silver coin is one of three which were unearthed in an old Roman grave in the presence of my three boys. I had the three coins mounted as pins for them as mementoes of the occasion, and when my little Waldemar died I took possession of his, and have worn it ever since." The Crown Prince's relations with his father are of the most affectionate nature, notwithstanding all that has been said to the contrary, and nothing is more touching than to see the tender and respectful manner in which he raises the old gentleman's hand to his lips.

With regard to his conduct toward his inferiors innumerable anecdotes—sufficient indeed to fill several volumes—are extant, showing his kindness of heart and consideration for others. The difficulty is to know how to make the selections from those at my disposal. Probably the prettiest one is that of the schoolmaster of Bornstedt, a little village on his estate near Potsdam. One day when passing the village schoolhouse he stopped, and making his way into the classroom sat down and began to listen attentively to the lessons. Suddenly a telegraph messenger made his appearance and handed the teacher a dispatch announcing that his mother was dangerously ill and wished to see him at once before she died. The Crown Prince noticing his blanched face immediately inquired what was the matter, and on learning the contents of the dispatch, bade the poor man hasten to his mother's bedside, saying that he himself would look after the school until arrangements could be made for obtaining a substitute during the teacher's absence. Accordingly, for more than two hours, the Crown Prince took sole charge of the school, rapping the idle ones good-humoredly over the knuckles and rewarding the diligent ones, until the arrival of the village parson, for the purpose of holding his bi-weekly Bible class. By the afternoon, a substitute had been found, but the Prince continued to superintend matters personally and in the closest manner until the regular teacher returned after the funeral of his mother.

At court dinners, I have frequently seen him, when the guests had risen from table, call up the pages of honor—mostly boys of noble birth, belonging to the cadet school—who had been helping in the service, and, after chatting merrily with them for a few minutes, take the sweetmeats and bon-bons from the table and stuff them in the boys' pockets, and, occasionally, in their mouths. Sometimes he would stuff the latter as full as possible, and would then ask them some question, demanding an immediate reply. Nothing could be more ludicrous than to observe the frantic efforts of the cadet to make a fitting reply, while his mouth was crammed full of marrons glaces and other sticky delicacies. How different this from the manner in which the pages of honor are

that she was doing a brave and heroic thing in denying herself for the benefit of one whom she deemed yet poorer and more helpless than herself—nor to Millicent that she was acting the part of a recreant.

The little room in the front of the cottage second story was fitted up prettily for the orphaned Australian boy—Catherine had sold her cabinet piano to buy the furniture—and Dorcas Brown, in a clean white apron and ribbons, was bustling around, while Mrs. Hopper had already arranged her stock of bonnet frames, ribbons and artificial flowers in the lower windows.

It was a lovely July day, with the sky blue and clear as a baby's eyes, and the air full of scents from the blossoming buckwheat fields, when Catherine More, having, not without difficulty, obtained a temporary substitute in her school, went to New York to meet her charge in the steamer "Harvest Lass," which had been telegraphed from Sandy Hook the day before.

"Little Willie will know me," she said to herself, "because I sent my photograph by the last mail. I wanted my face to seem familiar to him, poor lone lamb."

She stood on the pier, eagerly scanning the countenances of every child that landed, her face brightening once or twice as she saw a boy that she thought might be Willie, when all of a sudden a hand was laid lightly on her arm, and she found herself looking up into a handsome, bronzed face far above her.

"Sir!" she cried, starting back.

"I beg your pardon," said a frank, pleasant voice; "I did not mean to alarm you. But is this Miss More?"

She inclined her head.

"I am your cousin William."

And this time Catherine started in more surprise than ever.

"Sir," she said. "you are mistaken. William is a little boy."

"Hardly," returned the tall stranger, "unless you would call me a boy. Dear Cousin Kitty, no one ever told you I was a child or poor. It was your own inference. Thank Heaven, I am independently wealthy, and as I have come to man's estate, I think it rather my duty to take care of you than to allow you to take care of me."

Catherine looked at her handsome cousin in mute amazement. This grand upsetting of all her theories and ideas was more than she could comprehend just at once.

"But, Will"—

"But Catherine. Nay, my dear little gray-eyed cousin, the lawyers have told me how willing you were to adopt and care for the homeless orphan, and how my cousin Millicent shrank from the task. And from the bottom of my heart I thank you for what you are ready to do."

How Dorcas started when she saw what sort of a fellow "Little Willie" had proved to be. How Mrs. Hopper giggled behind her bonnet frames when she thought of the lit le child's crib and the picture books up stairs.

"Of course such an elegant young gentleman as that will go to the hotel," said Mrs. Hopper.

But he did not. He stayed at the cottage, sleeping on the back parlor sofa until other accommodations could be provided for him. And when Millicent came over with her prettiest smile and outstretched hand, the young Australian received her with an odd, curt co dness that made her feel excessively uncomfortable.

"You see, Cousin Milly," said he, "you didn't want to be bothered with me; you thought the Australian authorities ought to be compeled to provide for me."

And when Mrs. Hopper heard that little Catherine More was to marry her rich cousin, she wasn't at all surprised.

"It's the most natural thing in the world," said she; "only it's a pity Cathie isn't a little prettier."

But Catherine More was satisfied with her lover's declaration that to him her plain face was the sweetest in the world. —*Boston Traveller.*

TITUS GETTING BALD.

Hair Restoratives and Chocolate Soda for Pampered Dogs.

A clerk in a Broadway drug store was accosted one morning recently by a very swell girl with a very swell dog.

"Have you any hair restorative?" she asked, in a clear soprano voice, while an expression of anxiety sat on her beautiful face.

"Yes, miss," said the clerk, with a glance at the fluffy bang and abundant locks of the damsel. "Here is a mixture which I can recommend."

"It must be the very best. Titus' hair is coming out and it worries me a great deal," she said, with a little droop to her mouth. "I don't know what the matter is. He is too young to be getting bald," she continued.

"Well, I think your husband will find relief from this," said the clerk, throwing much sympathy into his high-salaried smile.

"My husband!" echoed the girl. "It isn't for my husband. It's for my dog."

Titus wagged his tail, as if to say: "What's the matter with her dog?"

There was a small patch on his body, too far back for him to see it well, where the hair had departed, leaving his skin exposed to all the vigor of a New York winter.

"Rub it on well," said the clerk, as the damsel paid him one dollar for a small bottle. "It will renew the hair."

Some of the pet dogs of women are so overfed that their hair falls out. This is not noticeable in the long-haired Skye and Yorkshire terriers. Their hair covers a bald spot. But the larger dogs with shorter hair show a spot, and it does not add to their beauty.

"I have had several calls for hair restoratives for dogs," said a clerk in another drug store to an inquisitive reporter of the New York *Evening World*. "They get the mange, or are overfed, and their hair drops out. It breaks the women all up to have a dog with a big spot on him. They'll do any thing for a dog.

"Sometimes they come here and get chocolate soda. They take some, then give some to their dogs, and drink out of the same glass afterward without a wince. They couldn't do that if a newsboy had taken a drink out of it. Oh, they are good to their dog, you bet. A hair restorer works on a dog as well as it does on a man. That is, sometimes it's effective and sometimes it isn't. The women who run expensive dogs think nothing of money or trouble to keep them in good order."

Cruelty to a Cat.

A police court at Vienna, Austria, had a case of unusual atrocity to deal with. A porter and a waiter at the Hotel Victoria had pushed a cat into a pipe. The tube was so narrow that the body of the poor beast nearly filled it and the cat could not move. In that position, the two men poured boiling water into the pipe, slowly boiling the poor creature to death. The fearful cries of the tortured animal at last attracted attention and the two scoundrels were taken before the magistrate.

HE WON'T GO AGAIN.

A New Yorker's Ridiculous Experience in an Insane Asylum.

Joseph Miller, of Brooklyn, a well-known and popular produce merchant at Washington Market, New York City, was the victim of a practical joke in Hudson County, N. J., recently, writes a correspondent of the Philadelphia *Telegraph*. Mr. Miller is unfortunate enough to be acquainted with a Hudson County freeholder, and, having heard of the wonders of Snake Hill, expressed a desire to visit Hudson's rocky island and examine the institution. A cordial invitation was extended the gentleman to drive out to the Hill, and in company with several officials, Mr. Miller started out to make a day of it. After looking through the penitentiary and the almshouse, the party started toward the asylum for the insane at the suggestion of Freeholder Boyle.

It so happened that Mrs. McAnerney, the matron of the asylum, had given Mary McLoughlin, an unfortunate inmate of the place, the freedom of one of the halls just as the party of gentlemen reached the building. Mary is very bad at times, but no matter how violent her paroxysms of insanity happen to be the sight of a good-looking masculine face overcomes her, and she falls in love with the owner of it immediately. Mr. Miller happened to be the best looking man in the party of visitors. As soon as they were admitted to the women's corridor Mary's eyes were fastened upon him, and she involuntarily started in his direction. The gentleman from Brooklyn did not perceive the motion, so he moved along quietly a little in advance of his companions, until he was within a few feet of the enamored woman. He was suddenly aroused from a reverie into which he had fallen by finding himself encircled in a pair of strong womanly arms, and almost at the same moment a pair of warm lips were pressed against his own. There was a stifled shriek, a struggle, and Mr. Miller was momentarily free. But before he could expostulate with Mary the woman's arms were extended for another embrace, and, seeing his danger, the guest from Washington Market started in hot haste down the corridor with Mary in full pursuit. The poor man was almost again in her grasp when he made a sudden turn to avoid capture, and in doing so came in contact with a piece of furniture, which caused him to loose his balance. As he fell Mary caught him by the coat, and once more threw her arms about him while she poured a rhapsody of loving words into his ear. The sight was so ridiculous that it caused the other visitors to explode with laughter, particularly as it required main strength to rescue the prisoner. That was the last corridor visited, Mr. Miller declaring that he would jump out of a window rather than run another such gauntlet, and he declares that it is his last visit to such an institution.

BABY IS A TERROR.

At Least, Papa Finds Him So in a Crowded Street Car.

Every body has seen a new papa trying to manage his primal offspring in a street car, says the Rehoboth *Sunday Herald*. The more primal it happens to be the harder it is to manage.

If papa is the sort of a man he ought to be his chief ambition is to prevent his fellow-passengers from getting on to the fact that he is new in the business. He particularly desires to pass for a veteran.

Baby, however, never for a moment overlooks the fact that he is only an amateur.

Its first move is to turn a somersault off of papa's unaccustomed knees and stand on its little intellect in the aisle, thus bothering people about getting off and on the car and effectually preventing the sad-eyed conductor from collecting the fares. Then when papa dares to disagree with this original and startling flight of fancy and move the previous question, the delights of baby farming suddenly materialize and become distinctly visible to the naked eye.

With an intellectual whoop that causes the sad-looking passenger on the rear platform to drop the cigar from between his lips, baby throws itself flat on its back on papa's knees, and shoots out like a telescope. Its dear little head plays the great battering-ram act on a dyspeptic-looking passenger on papa's right, and its cute little tootsies get all tangled up in real point lace worn by a supercilious young lady on papa's left. Its darling little hands are, of course, tangled up in papa's whisker's. And all the time baby is wailing a high and heartless air from the latest opera.

Of course, every eye in the car is fixed upon papa, and he suddenly becomes aware of the fact that he is making history.

So is baby.

By the time the little darling has kicked a hundred dollars' worth of lace off of the aristocratic dress and loosened most of the digestive apparatus of the victim of dyspepsia, papa has succeeded in once more getting hold of the thread of the argument.

He seems to hesitate between tossing his burden out of the car window and stuffing it under the seat. His face is about the color of a healthy lobster, and a wild yearning to go off somewhere and die and become a glorious, care-free angel has laid violent hands on him. But through it all he never for a moment loses sight of the fact that he is a parent.

The baby won't let him.

At last he rises in a broken-hearted way, stumbles over the feet of every body in the car, and in sheer desperation, stops the car and conducts the remainder of his kindergarten on foot. But through it all he is, of course, deliriously happy.

He certainly looks it.

About Postage Stamps.

A good way of inclosing a stamp in a letter is to cut two parallel slits near one corner of your letter sheet, and then slip the stamp under the narrow ribbon of paper between the slits. If you are going to send a number of stamps, inclose them in a small envelope or wrap them in paper. It is a good idea, if you fold the sheet of stamps, to put layers of thin paper—tracing paper, if you have it—between the folds. Never inclose stamps in a letter still damp from the copying-press. Never gum a corner of an inclosed stamp to the letter sheet under any circumstances. Never fail to inclose a stamp when you write about a matter that concerns you mainly or altogether.

Why His Ducks Disappeared.

A Norwich (Conn.) man who had stocked his pond with a rare and handsome breed of ducks found that they were slowly disappearing, but where they went he could not determine. One day a visitor, sitting on the piazza, said: "You've got queer ducks. I've seen two of them dive, but they haven't come up yet." This was a suggestion to be acted upon. The owner drew off the water from the pond, and found seventeen snapping-turtles. He killed them, and now the ducks do not disappear, or, at least, when they dive they come up again.

Worth Knowing.

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BY THE WAY.

—As Christmas this year will fall on Sunday, Monday will be observed as the general holiday.

—In New Jersey there are said to be 365,641 children between the ages of five and eighteen years.

—The meeting of the O. A. F., this evening, will take place in the parlors of Zephyr H. & L. Co.

—After an adjournment for the Summer, the Board of Fire Commissioners will meet in regular session on Tuesday evening next.

—Dr. Talmage's sermon of last Sunday on Jehu's salutation, "Is thine heart right?" is published complete on the fourth page.

—The new express train that commenced leaving Plainfield this morning at 8.35 o'clock, stops at Westfield only and is due in New York at 9.25.

—The clear and courageous message of President Cleveland that was crowded out by our election news of yesterday, appears in full on our second page of today.

—The Dairy Maids' festival, by the Mission Band of the Congregational church on Monday, was a grand success, and about $100 was realized from the entertainment.

—The remnants of the incendiary fire which consumed the Park House stables on Sixth street, several months ago, have been removed, and the appearance of the place has been improved thereby.

—The entertainment for the benefit of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, of which we gave the full programme yesterday, will take place at the residence of Mrs. Kate C. Conant, at Evona, this evening.

—A change of schedule went into effect on the C. R. R., today. By it the 11.42 a. m., for New York is discontinued, and the 7.14 a. m., now only goes to Dunellen, and no more to Somerville and Flemington.

—The masons, carpenters and painters of our town are kept as busy yet as they were during the Spring and Summer. There is, at present, so much building going on that a jobber can scarcely be obtained to make repairs.

—The dwelling house at Eighth street and Central avenue, owned by Mrs. D. C. Green and occupied by Mr. Geo. C. Martin, is now in the hands of the painters, who are refreshing and beautifying the building with a new coat of paint.

—At Reform Hall this evening another of the free entertainments arranged by the Reform Club will take place. The programme for to-night, will be of a musical order, and will be varied by recitations and readings. All are welcome.

—This afternoon the Governor and Mrs. Green will hold a reception from four to six. Invitations have been extended to prominent people in all parts of the State, and the gathering beneath the Governor's hospitable roof in Elizabeth is expected to be large.

—The decision of the Court of Common Pleas at Elizabeth in the Blimm case, of which we give the particulars elsewhere, is of the greatest importance to this city. Judge McCormick holds that the Council is not given any power to prohibit the disposal of liquor other than by sale.

—To housewives who would clean their windows in cold weather without splashing water all over, we would recommend the use of a little kerosene oil on a rag to take the dirt off, and then polish with old newspapers, and they will look as if a whole tub of water had been used.

—The Committee who had charge of the recent W. R. C. Bazaar, held a meeting last evening and announced as the total net proceeds from bazaar, $444.11. To-morrow evening the money will be transferred to the treasurer of the corps. The election of officers to serve the corps for the ensuing year, will also take place to-morrow evening.

THE CORPORATION CURBED.

A Higher Court Rules That the City Cannot Interfere With the Disposal of Liquor Except by Sale.

For a long time it has been maintained by Corporation Counsel Marsh and the city authorities that they had the right to prohibit not only the sale but the disposal or giving away of intoxicating liquors, and acting upon this view Jacob Blimm was convicted before the City Court of violating the city ordinance and fined, although there was no evidence whatever proving a *sale* of such liquor. Through his counsel, John H. Jackson, Mr. Blimm appealed to the Court of Common Pleas at Elizabeth. Yesterday the appeal was tried before Judges McCormick, Harper and Hyer, and Mr. Jackson, in a very forcible argument, clearly demonstrated the fallacy of the City's position. Notwithstanding the strenuous opposition of Corporation Counsel Marsh, the Court—Judge Harper dissenting—maintained Mr. Jackson's construction as the correct one, and reversed the judgment of the City Judge, with costs, and dismissed the complaint against Mr. Blimm. On Mr. Blimm's behalf much stress was laid upon the position of the City charter, which only empowers the Common Council to regulate and prohibit the *sale* of spirituous and fermented liquors, and it was held that the city ordinance, so far as it prohibited the disposal other than a sale of such liquor, was inoperative and void as being in excess of the power delegated to the Common Council by the Legislature. The decision is an important one in many aspects, and it is thought the City will be much hindered by this defeat, in enforcing the liquor ordinance. In justice to Judge Ulrich it should be stated that when the case was tried before him, he declined to pass on the question of the validity of the part of the ordinance in question, but left it for the higher court to decide.

Corporation Counsel Marsh says that nothing whatever is settled except that the judgment of ten dollar's fine is reversed. The Court held in so many words that *there was not sufficient evidence* to prove the charge. The charge included both the selling and furnishing of spirituous and fermented liquor. Mr. Marsh says that after the case was decided he asked the Court what the judgment would have been if the evidence had proved that fermented liquor had been given away, and the Court replied it would be not guilty. Mr. Marsh said further that the City would gladly take that question to the Supreme Court if Mr. Blimm would admit that he gave away fermented liquor in his bar-room after midnight and before six o'clock of the following morning. There was no way of raising that question in the present case without such an admission, because the Court plainly put the decision on the ground of want of sufficient evidence.

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MARSH—PACKARD.

The beautiful little Episcopal church that adorns the Borough, was the scene of a brilliant and an auspicious weddi ig, last evening. Rev. T. Logan Murphy, the rector of the Church of the Holy Cross, on that occasion united in marriage Miss Marion Frances Packard and Mr. Warren Henry Marsh. The bride in pure white was escorted to the altar and given away by her uncle, Thomas B. Brooks, Esq., of West Seventh street. Mr. Will Bass acted as best man, and Messrs. Dexter Tiffany, Herbert Stover, James DeGraff and Paul Abel served as ushers. A reception to a large number of intimate friends was afterwards held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dunshee on Madison avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. Marsh left for New York later in the evening. The groom so long a resident of this city, is now Private Secretary to the Manager of the Cincinnati, Jackson and Mackinaw Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Marsh will in future reside with the Manager at his residence in Toledo.

Parlor Sale.

The annual parlor sale by the ladies of the Seventh-Day Baptist church and Sabbath school, took place in the lecture room of the church last evening. The spacious room was neatly and artistically decorated with flags and bunting, and contained a large number of the members and friends of the church and school. About the room were distributed tables and booths for the sale of fancy articles, candy, lemonade, etc., and all were well patronized during the evening. The financial result of the sale is not known, but it is expected that the church will be benefitted to the extent of about $100.

Give the People Both Sides.

A communication elsewhere in relation to some of the circumstances that have lately arisen and surrounded the Board of Managers of the Fire Department, will open a wide field of surmise and consideration. Our columns will afford the broadest latitude of discussion that may be individually desired.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Miss May Sandford, of West Seventh street, will make her *debut* into society on the evening of the 28th inst.

Messrs. Charles Scribner and Schuyler Crane will assist Mr. Leo Daft at his electrical performance in Music Hall, this evening.

A young daughter of Mr. W. R. Mattox was taken suddenly ill in school this morning, and had to be taken home in a carriage.

Mrs. Francis Wood of Ninth street, near Broadway, gave a reception to her friends this afternoon. Many were present including a number from out of town.

Mr. George Ball, the accomplished driver of Zephyr H. & L., truck, moves in a mysterious way today. His friends suspect that he is being married on the quiet.

The success of Wilton Randolph, Esq., THE PRESS candidate for Councilman from the Second ward, was due entirely to the personal efforts of Mr. Karl Polak, Mr. H. N. Stockton and Mr. H. E. Bowen.

Senator-elect James L. Miller, of Westfield, will be tendered a grand supper at Delmonico's, New York, this evening. Chauncey B. Ripley, a well-known lawyer in New York, and a resident of Westfield, will tender the dinner.

Ex-Chief of Police Charles W. Dodd and family left on the 1:21 p. m. train yesterday, to take up their residence at Elizabeth. The keys of the Union County Jail were delivered up to ex-Chief Dodd yesterday, and the latter formally took possession of the Jail and immediately entered upon his duties as Warden.

The reunion of the Class of '77 at Mrs. Beers, this evening, will also include as guests Miss Bulkley, Miss Niles and Miss Runyon, the only teachers at present in the High School of those connected with it in 1877. Among other features, Miss Dewey will read the "class history," and Miss Mary Mather an original ode.

The funeral of the late Frazee Whitehead, who died on Monday, took place from the house on West Front street, this afternoon, at half-past two o'clock. Rev. Dr. Yerkes, pastor of the First Baptist church, of which the deceased was a member, conducted the funeral service, and at the close the remains were interred in Evergreen cemetery.

Mr. D. B. Bascome, M. D., of Turk's Island, Bahamas, died at the residence of his son, Geo. D. Bascome, of E. 9th street, this city, on Tuesday, from pneumonia. The deceased was in the 71st year of his age, and was visiting his son at the time of his death. The funeral will take place from the house to-morrow afternoon at half-past two o'clock. Interment private.

Nothing Unusual.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—In your "esteemed" cotemporary's issue of Tuesday evening, in its report of the Common Council meeting, a few interesting paragraphs occur to which I desire to call your attention. It asserts that ten incandescent electric lamps are to be "properly located on Central avenue between Eighth street and Broadway;" also that "not more than 72 incandescent lamps" are to be "properly located on Grant avenue between Richmond street and South avenue." Can anyone place these localities? Is this a result of the new map?

Yours,

AN OLD RESIDENT.

[Our correspondent, of course, seldom sees the paper he refers to, or he would not consider the errors remarkable.—ED.]

Almost a Wreck.

When the 8.02 a. m., passenger train drew up at the depot yesterday morning, a West-bound coal train was passing at the time. The coal train broke in two, and the broken length of coupling fell to the track, landing crosswise on the rail. The remainder of the cars ran over the broken coupling, and those who witnessed it expected that some of the cars would leave the track, resulting in a general wreck. Fortunately no damage was done, and after the two sections were again joined together, the train proceeded on its way.

The Coming Fair.

The new building that has been added to the M. E. church, for the purposes of Sunday School and lecture rooms, not being quite in available condition, the fair the ladies have arranged, is postponed until Dec. 13, 14, 15 and 16. During the afternoons and evenings of those dates, such a bazaar as this city has never seen excelled, will then be thrown open for the entertainment and patronage of the community.

An Exhibition of Wonders.

Music Hall will be lighted by electricity for Mr. Daft's lecture, this evening. We published last evening a list of a few of the wonderful experiments and marvelous powers and effects of electricity, that the lecturer will exhibit. The entire proceeds will be given towards raising the Trinity Reformed debt—Mr. Daft contributing his services and paying the attendant expenses.

What Shall the Harvest Be?

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—The Plainfield Fire Department being *defunct*, the question naturally arises, what is to be done with the property in possession of the Board (?) or in the possession of some of the members (?) of the different companies? And what right has anyone to pay or contract debts, or to assume any responsibility whatever, except personal responsibility? There must, however, be a settlement made of the affairs of the department and the first thing to be done, it seems to me, is to let the people know how much the department (?) owes, both in bonds and floating debt, and then ascertain by a fair and honest inventory what its assets are. It must also be determined what North Plainfield's share of the assets are, and how much of the debt she is liable for. The final harvesting of the crop will have to be done through peculiar processes of law, and the chaff will have to be separated from the grain. I think the assets, upon a true appraisement, will be found to be much less than they have been booked at, and it will require very reliable experts to get at their real and true value.

"WAIT AND SEE."

Suit to Prevent a Transfer of Property.

A Newark paper yesterday contained the following news item: "The case of the Aetna Silk Manufacturing Company, of Connecticut, complainant, and Henry A. Merrill, Plainfield, N. J., defendant, was before Vice Chancellor VanFleet in his Chambers today. Mr. E. M. Colie, of this city, and Mr. E. B. Goodale of New York, appeared for the complainant and Messrs. Suydan & Stillman, of Plainfield, for the defendant. The object of the suit is to secure the setting aside of a transfer of personal property by the defendant, which, it is alleged by the company who hold a judgment against him for $5,000, is fraudulent. Before the taking of testimony was begun the case was postponed until February 1, 1888."

This Evening's Entertainment.

An entertainment has been arranged to take place at Reform Hall, this evening, that will attract a large attendance. No admission will be charged, and all are welcome. Miss Anna Titsworth of the Seminary, and Mr. Walter McGee will read, Miss S. L. Stewart and Mr. Andrew Gavett will give vocal solos, Messrs. E. Runyon and B. T. Barnes, and the Van Aken children will sing duetts, Mr. B. Levere will render a cornet solo, and Miss Smith will repeat by request the piano selection that was so admired at a recent entertainment of Trinity Reformed church. The programme will begin at eight o'clock.

We Don't Speak Lightly of the Dead.

EDITOR OF THE PRESS:—In regard to "Jack," the pet dog, he has not gone to Rahway nor to New Bruswick, but was cared for by those to whom he became attached since the death of Mr. Louis Laing, who was a perfect gentleman. I consider you a man of little manners to speak as you did through your columns Tuesday night. D. S.

[Our correspondent has addressed the wrong office. The article of which she justly complains, was not published in the columns of THE PRESS, but in the Evening * * * *—ED.]

To Be Sworn In.

For the convenience of citizens recently elected to office in this city, Mayor Male will be in attendance on Saturday evening of this week at the City Clerk's office, at which time they may take and subscribe to the required oath.

—With the increase of cold weather, the price of coal increases accordingly.

—Councilman Dunham and a large choir of male and female voices, rehearsed Christmas music in the Warren Mission chapel on Tuesday evening.

—Buffalo Bill has done more scalping than any other American citizen—except Collier, who is scalping high prices right along. If you want to get jewelry with the hair off—that is, with jobber's profits lifted—call at 3 Park avenue.

—Witnesses from this city were summoned before the Middlesex County Grand Jury at New Brunswick, yesterday, in the case of Thomas Nowland *vs.* the young men who brutally beat him near Campbell's Club house a few weeks ago.

—The Chancellor, today, ordered a special counsel fee of one hundred dollars in addition to costs, to be paid to Corporation Counsel Marsh in the Chancery suit of Knoll *vs.* Bamickel, *et als*, because of the novelty and difficulty of the questions presented.

—The Monthly Devotional Meeting of the "Y" was held at their rooms Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock. Mrs. McCron, President of the "Y's" of Philadelphia, was present and gave a very pleasant talk on the work among the young men of that city. After which a short Business meeting was held. Invitations to the "Chocolate" will soon be issued.

Freemasonry Not Exposed.

According to an announcement in THE PRESS on Tuesday, it was expected that Mrs. Mary Hayward, of Newark, would be present at the entertainment given under the auspices of the Plainfield Berean Bible Class, in Cutter's Hall, last evening, and expose the mysterious doings of Freemasonry. Consequently a large number of persons were present, all expecting a rich treat. The lady, however, was unable to attend, being confined to the house by illness. An informal programme was substituted, which consisted of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, etc. The story of "Widow Bedott" was admirably rendered by two ladies from Somerville. During the evening Prof. Levere performed several difficult solos on the cornet, and Janitor Mattox, of Music Hall, gave a number of humorous recitations. The proceeds amounted to about $50, and will be devoted to paying for a new organ which the class has recently purchased. It is the intention of the Berean Class to give a similar entertainment during the holiday week, admission to which will be free. Mrs. Hayward will then positively appear, health permitting, and enlighten her hearers on the mysteries of Freemasonry.

Library Directors Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Directors of the Public Library was held last evening. Present—President Male and Messrs. Baldwin, Tracy, Dumont, Babcock and Stillman. The librarian's report for the month of November was read and filed. It was as follows:

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Vols. on Accession-book, Oct. 31st, 1887	6,761
Added by gift	8
Vols. now in Library	6,769
No. of Card holders	946
Cash received from fines	$8.46
Cash received from sub. non-residents	1.00
Visitors to building during month	1,859

HOME CIRCULATION:

Fiction	827
Juvenile	236
Biography	55
Travel, etc.	32
Philosophy	9
Religion, etc.	21
Sociology	34
Philology	3
Natural Science	23
Useful Arts	10
Fine Arts	25
Literature	88
History	70
General works	1
Total	1,434

A. W. TYLER, Librarian.

The net proceeds from Col. Tyler's lecture upon the Constitution of the U. S., given at Music Hall on the night of Nov. eighth were announced to be $233. No other business of public importance was transacted.

SOUTH PLAINFIELD.

Mr. John Gerry a few days ago received $1,350 from the L. V. R. R. Co., in payment for a strip of land, through which the new road is to run. On Friday last Mr. Wm. McGuire received $600 for a strip of his land for similar purposes.

The steam shovel to be used in making excavations for the new branch of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, from South Plainfield to Roselle, has arrived, and is already doing service for the company. A number of improvised shanties have been erected in what is known as "Ash Swamp," and are tenanted by Italians, who are employed on the new line.

28th Regt. Reunion.

Only twenty-eight survivors of the old 28th Regt. N. J. Vols., attended the reunion of the organization at South Amboy, on Monday. The veterans took dinner at the Rippowan House by invitation from ex-Assemblyman Martin, a comrade. The following officers were elected:

President—Captain Inslee, of Woodbridge.

Vice President—John Martin, of South Amboy.

Secretary—Lieut. Applegate, of Woodbridge.

Treasurer—P. E. Sampson, of New Brunswick.

The Cigarette Must Go.

The *Catholic News* thus rebukes the cigarette:

A crusade against selling cigarettes to small boys has been inaugurated in the Hudson river towns. It deserves to succeed, and a law against the manufacture of cigarettes should be passed. The boy or man who smokes cigarettes is unmanly and reckless. They are made of the vilest of tobacco, generally of old cigar stumps, and very likely contain the germs of the most dreadful of diseases. The cigarette and cigarette fiend must go.

DUNELLEN.

Messrs. A. Dealman & Bro., of Newark, N. J., have purchased and taken possession of the grocery and provision store of Chas. Boice.

—It is now expected that Company H. of Westfield, the new company recently attached to the Third Regiment, will be fully equipped with uniforms, etc., in February. Captain Miller drills the company every Tuesday night.

—Gov. Green on Tuesday appointed Romeo F. Chabert of Hoboken, as one of the managers of the State Asylum for the Insane at Morristown. He takes the place of Theodore H. Varick, deceased.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

LEWIS VAN NEST TAKEN TO PRISON.

ELIZABETH, Dec. 8—Sheriff Glasby this morning took Lewis Van Nest, of the convicted Plainfield firebugs, to State Prison, where he will serve out a five-year's sentence, imposed by Judge McCormick, for complicity with John M. Jackson and Horace Van Nest in burning the Carman Parse house. The prisoner was greatly depressed in spirits.

FANWOOD WRINKLES.

Falling Leaves from the Note-Book of Our Suburban Saunterer.

The building operations in the vicinity of the depot are being pushed forward in a way that maketh glad the builder's heart. Mr. Downer and Mr. Bates are the latest accessions to the list of house-rearers. Dr. Oliver's house continues to go ahead, and the Land Improvement Company's buildings are being pushed rapidly to completion. An old time Fanwoodite would have difficulty in recognizing the place.

On the ferry boat one day last week I saw a curious thing. A young man offered his seat to a lady and was about to leave the cabin, when the lady requested him to keep his seat, as "he had been working all day and must be tired." The young man could hardly believe the evidence of his senses, while all the passengers looked on in blank amazement. If nature would produce a few more freaks of this sort, we should soon hear the last of the discussions as to whether a gentleman should always offer his seat to a lady.

What a blessing the telephone is! A few days since I desired to inform a friend of a certain matinee that was to come off that afternoon. I stepped to the telephone and after a little delay was connected with "Harlem 226." "Is Mrs. Roland here?" "Yes." "Will you ask her to step to the telephone?" "Is that you, Mrs. Roland?" "Yes." "Mr. Roland wants me to tell you that there will be a Hoffman matinee today, and suggests that you should go." "All right, I will meet him at the Vienna Bakery at one o'clock." I told her that wasn't the idea, that I merely wished to inform her of the matinee. "All right." "220 Law on. About five minutes later—ting-a-ling-ling. The telephone boy announced that "the lady wanted to know who was to meet her." I telephoned back, "Mr. Roland will not be in town, he only wanted to let you know of the performance. Do you understand?" My communicant repeated the message after me, and giving my name, age, occupation and address, I disconnected the wire. I saw Mrs. Roland that night; she had been at the Vienna Bakery, waiting, from one till two. "Why" she said, when I explained matters to her, "I wasn't at the telephone, and I couldn't imagine who was at the other end, but my friend thought that you meant that as Mr. Roland couldn't come, the Colonel was coming instead, so I waited." Such is life.

A meeting of the Fanwood Club was recently held; there was a large attendance, and much important business was transacted. That was on Tuesday night, and on Wednesday a notice declaring the Club House closed appeared on the front door. What's the matter now?

I understand that the sidewalk along Park avenue is to be repaired. This is welcome news to all who are obliged to pass that way at night.

Children on the way to school look with wistful eyes at Mrs. Ritchie's stock of knick knacks. Fond parents will find there many trifles to suit the taste of the young.

When Mr. Sykes announces in church the meetings of the Ladies' Aid Society, he always mentions the place of meeting as at the residence of *Mrs.* so and so. The husband is quietly ignored in these feminine confabs, and the Ladies' Aid refuses to take "judicial notice" of his existence. All the same, the ladies seem to work to good purpose, for no one helps the church more than they. Persons wishing any sewing done can not do better than to leave it with the Ladies' Aid Society.

Closely allied to this is the Choir Guild, a new organization. Its second meeting was on Tuesday, at Mrs. Force's. I learn that the Guild is to give a Bag Sale next week in Baker & Mead's Hall. At this sale all sorts of fancy bags and baskets will be placed on sale. The Christmas shopper will very probably find something to his fancy at that time.

Mr. Savage, the druggist, has gone the way of every other druggist who has tried his hand at that place. Perhaps the reason why a drug store is so unprofitable here is because Fanwood is such a healthy location that her people have little need for the apothecary's skill. Applictions for building lots must be made to George Kyte, sole agent. N. B—Notices like the foregoing will be inserted in this column at one dollar a piece. Make all checks payable to the order of

SUBURBAN SAUNTERER.

THE MESSAGE

OF PRESIDENT CLEVELAND TO THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS.

AN UNNECESSARY SURPLUS.

THE SURPLUS AND THE TARIFF THE ONLY TOPICS TOUCHED UPON.

A Tariff Revision Necessary--Reduction of Duties on Necessities of Life of Paramount Importance--Some Statistics for Wage-workers and a Word to the Tiller of the Soil.

To the Congress of the United States:

You are confronted at the threshold of your legislative duties with a condition of the national finances which imperatively demands immediate and careful consideration.

The amount of money annually exacted, through the operation of present laws, from the industries and necessities of the people, largely exceeds the sum necessary to meet the expenses of the government.

When we consider that the theory of our institutions guarantees to every citizen the full enjoyment of all the fruits of his industry and enterprise, with only such deduction as may be his share toward the careful and economical maintenance of the government which protects him, it is plain that the exaction of more than this is indefensible extortion, and a culpable betrayal of American fairness and justice. This wrong inflicted upon those who bear the burden of national taxation, like other wrongs, multiplies a brood of evil consequences. The public treasury, which should only exist as a conduit conveying the people's tribute to its legitimate objects of expenditure, becomes a hoarding place for money needlessly withdrawn from trade and the people's use, thus crippling our national energies, suspending our country's development, preventing investment in productive enterprise, threatening financial disturbance, and inviting schemes of public plunder.

A PRESSAGE OF FINANCIAL CONVULSION.

This condition of our treasury is not altogether new; and it has more than once of late been submitted to the people's representatives in the congress, who alone can apply a remedy. And yet the situation still continues, with aggravated incidents, more than ever presaging financial convulsion and wide spread disaster.

It will not do to neglect this situation, because its dangers are not now palpably imminent and apparent. They exist none the less certainly, and await the unforeseen and unexpected occasion when suddenly they will be precipitated upon us.

SOME INTERESTING FIGURES.

On the 30th day of June, 1885, the excess of revenues over public expenditures, after complying with the annual requirement of of the sinking fund act, was $17,550,735.84; during the year ended June 30, 1886, such excess amounted to $49,505,545.20; and during the year ended June 30, 1887, it reached the sum of $55,567,849.54.

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE.

The annual contributions to the sinking fund during the three years above specified, amounting in the aggregate to $138,045,330.94, and deducted from the surplus as stated, were made by calling in for that purpose outstanding three per cent bonds of the government. During the six months prior to Jun e30, 1887, the surplus revenue had grown so large by repeated accumulations, and it was feared the withdrawal of this great sum of money needed by the people would so affect the business of the country, that the sum of $79,864,160 of such surplus was applied to the payment of the principal and interest of the three per cent bonds still outstanding, and which were then payable at the option of the government. The precarious condition of financial affairs among the people still needing relief, immediately after the 30th day of June, 1887, the remainder of the three per cent bonds then outstanding amounting, with principal and interest to the sum of $18,877,500, were called in and applied to the sinking fund contribution for the current fiscal year. Notwithstanding these operations of the treasury department representations of distress in business circles not only continued, but increased, and absolute peril seemed at hand. In these circumstances the contribution to the sinking fund for the current fiscal year was at once completed by the expenditure of $27,684,283.55 in the purchase of government bonds not yet due bearing four and four and a half per cent. interest, the premium paid thereon averaging about twenty-four per cent. for the former and eight per cent. for the latter. In addition to this interest accruing during the current year upon the outstanding bonded indebtedness of the government was to some extent anticipated, and banks selected as depositories of public money were permitted to somewhat increase their deposits.

STILL ACCUMULATING.

While the expedients thus employed, to release to the people the money lying idle in the treasury, served to avert immediate danger, our surplus revenues have continued to accumulate, the excess for the present year amounting on the 1st day of December to $55,258,701 19, and estimated to reach the sum of $113,000,000 on the 30th of June next, at which date it is expected that this sum added to prior accumulations will swell the surplus in the treasury to $140,000,000.

There seems to be no assurance that, with such a withdrawal from use of the people's circulating medium, our business community may not in the near future be subjected to the same distress which was quite lately produced from the same cause. And while the functions of our national treasury should be few and simple, and while its best condition would be reached, I believe by its entire disconnection with private business interests, yet when, by a perversion of its purposes, it idly holds money uselessly subtracted from the channels of trade, there seems to be reason for the claim that some legitimate means should be devised by the government to restore it in an emergency, without waste or extravagance, such money to its place among the people.

NO EXECUTIVE POWER OF RELIEF.

If such an emergency arises there now exists no clear and undoubted executive power of relief. Heretofore the redemption of three per cent. bonds, which were payable at the option of the government, has afforded a means for the disbursement of the excess of our revenues; but these bonds have all been retired, and there are no bonds outstanding the payment of which we have the right to insist upon. The contribution to the sinking fund which furnishes the occasion for expenditure in the purchase of bonds has already been made for the current year, so that there is no outlet in that direction.

A LIMIT NECESSARY.

In the present state of legislation the only pretense of any existing executive power to restore, at this time, any part of our surplus revenues to the people by its expenditure, consists in the supposition that the secretary of the treasury may enter any market and purchase the bonds of the government not yet due, at a rate of premium to be agreed upon. The only provision of law from which such a power could be derived is found in an appropriation bill passed a number of years ago; and it is subject to the suspicion that it was intended as temporary and limited in its application, instead of conferring a continuing discretion and authority. No condition ought to exist which would justify the grant of power to a single official, upon his judgment of its necessity, to withhold from or release to the business of the people, in an unusual manner, money held in the treasury, and thus affect, at his will, the financial situation of the country; and if it is deemed wise to lodge in the secretary of the treasury the authority in the present juncture to purchase bonds, it should be plainly vested, and provided as far as possible with such checks and limitations as will define this officials right and discretion, and at the same time relieve him from undue responsibility.

THE PURCHASE OF BONDS.

In considering the question of purchasing bonds as a means of restoring to circulation the surplus money accumulating in the treasury it should be borne in mind that premiums must of course be paid upon such purchase, that there may be a large part of these bonds held as investments which cannot be purchased at any price, and that combinations among holders who are willing to sell may unreasonably enhance the cost of such bonds to the government.

It has been suggested that the present bonded debt might be refunded at a less rate of interest, and the difference between the old and new security paid in cash, thus finding use for the surplus in the treasury. The success of this plan, it is apparent, must depend upon the volition of the holders of the present bonds; and it is not entirely certain that the inducements which must be offered them would result in more financial benefit to the government than the purchase of bonds, while the latter proposition would reduce the principal of the debt by actual payment, instead of extending it.

THE BANK DEPOSIT PLAN.

The proposition to deposit the money held by the government in banks throughout the country, for use by the people, is, it seems to me, exceedingly objectionable in principle, as establishidg too close a relationship between the operations of the government treasury and the business of the country, and too extensive a commingling of their money, thus fostering an unnatural reliance in private business upon public funds. If this scheme should be adopted it should only be done as a temporary expedient to meet an urgent necessity. Legislative and executive effort should generally be in the opposite direction and should have a tendency to divorce, as much and as fast as can safely be done, the treasury department from private enterprises.

Of course it is not expected that unnecessary and extravagant appropriations will be made for the purpose of avoiding the accumulation of an excess of revenue. Such expenditure, beside the demoralization of all just conceptions of public duty which it entails, stimulates a habit of reckless improvidence not in the least consistent with the mission of our people or the high and beneficent purpose of our government.

I have deemed it my duty thus bring to the knowledge of my countrymen, as well as to the attention of their representatives charged with the responsibility of legislative relief, the gravity of our financial situation. The failure of the congress heretofore to provide against the dangers which it was quite evident the very nature of the difficulty must necessarily produce, caused a condition of financial distress and apprehension since your last adjournment, which taxed to the utmost all the authority and expedient within executive control; and these appear now to be exhausted. If disaster results from the continued inaction of congress, the responsibility must rest where it belongs.

DEPLETED MONETARY CONDITION.

Though the situation thus far considered is fraught with danger which should be fully realized, and though it presents features of wrong to the people as well as peril to the country, it is but a result growing out of a perfectly palpable and apparent cause, constantly reproducing the same alarming circumstances a congested national treasury and a depleted monetary condition in the business of the country. It need hardly be stated that while the present situation demands a remedy, we can only be saved from a like predicament in the future by the removal of its cause.

THE TARIFF.

Our scheme of taxation, by means of which this needless surplus is taken from the people and put into the public treasury, consists of a tariff or duty levied upon importations from abroad, and internal revenue taxes levied upon the consumption of tobacco and spirituous and malt liquors. It must be conceded that none of the things subjected to internal revenue taxation are, strictly speaking, necessaries. There appears to be no just complaint of this taxation by the consumers of these articles, and there seems to be nothing so well able to bear the burden without hardship to any portion of the people.

But our present tariff laws, the vicious, inequitable and illogical source of unnecessary taxation, ought to be at once revised and amended. These laws, as their primary and plain effect, raise the price to consumers of all articles imported and subject to duty by precisely the sum paid for such duties. Thus the amount of the duty measures the tax paid by those who purchase for use these imported articles. Many of these things, however, are raised or manufactured in our own country, and the duties now levied upon foreign goods and products are called protection to these home manufacturers, because they render it possible for those of our people who are manufactures to make these taxed articles and sell them for a price equal to that demanded for the imported goods that have paid customs duty.

So it happens that, while comparatively a few use the imported articles, millions of our people, who never use and never saw any of the foreign products, purchase and use the same kind made in this country and pay therefor nearly or quite the same enhanced price which the duty adds to the imported articles. Those who buys imports pays the duty charged thereon into the public treasury; but the great majority of our citizens who buy domestic articles of the same class pay a sum at least approximately equal to this duty to the home manufacturer. This reference to the operation of our tariff laws is not made by way of instruction, but in order that we may be constantly reminded of the manner in which they impose a burden upon those who consume domestic products as well as those who consume imported articles, and thus create a tax upon all our people.

MAY BE CALLED PROTECTION.

It is not proposed to entirely relieve the country of this taxation. It must be extensively continued as the source of the government's income; and in a readjustment of our tariff the interests of American labor engaged in manufacture should be carefully considered, as well as the preservation of our manufacturers. It may be called protection, or by any other name, but relief from the hardships and dangers of our present tariff laws should be devised with especial precaution against imperiling the existence of our manufacturing interests. But this existence should not mean a condition which without regard to the public welfare or a national exigency must always insure the realization of immense profits instead of moderately profitable returns. As the volume and diversity of our national activities increase, new recruits are added to those who desire a continuation of the advantages which they conceive the present system of tariff taxation affords them. So stubbornly have all efforts to reform the present condition been resisted by those of our fellowcitizens thus engaged, that they can hardly complain of the suspicion, entertained to a certain extent, that there exists an organized combination all along the line to maintain their advantage.

We are in the midst of centennial celebrations and with becoming pride we rejoice in American skill and ingenuity, in American energy and enterprise, and in the wonderful natural advantages and resources developed by a century's national growth. Yet when an attempt is made to justify a scheme which permits a tax to be laid upon every consumer in the land for the benefit of our manufacturers, quite beyond a reasonable demand for governmental regard, it suits the purpose of advocacy to call our manufactures infant industries, still needing the highest and greatest degree of favor and fostering care that can be wrung from federal legislation.

THE WORKMAN AND HIS WAGES.

It is also said that the increase in the price of domestic manufactures resulting from the present tariff is necessary in order that higher wages may be paid to our workingmen employed in manufactories than are paid for what is called the pauper labor of Europe. All will acknowledge the force of an argument which involves the welfare and liberal compensation of our laboring people. Our labor is honorable in the eyes of every American citizen; and as it lies at the foundation of our development and progress, it is entitled, without affectation or hypocrisy, to the utmost regard. The standard of our laborers' life should not be measured by that of any other country less favored, and they are entitled to their full share of all our advantages.

LABOR STATISTICS.

By the last census it is made to appear that of the 17,392,099 of our population engaged in all kinds af industries 7,670,493 are employed in agriculture, 4,074,238 in professionable and personal service (2,934,876 of whom are domestic servants and laborers), while 1,810,256 are employed in trade and transportation and 3,837,112 are classed as employed in manufacturing and mining.

For present purposes, however, the vast number given should be considerably reduced. Without attempting to enumerate all, it will be conceded that there should be deducted from those which it includes 375,143 carpenters and joiners, 285,401 milliners, dressmakers and seamstresses, 172,726 blacksmiths, 133,756 tailors and tailoresses, 102,473 masons, 76,241 butchers, 41,309 bakers, 22,083 plasterers and 4,891 engaged in manufacturing agricultural implements, amounting in the aggregate to 1,214,023, leaving 2,622,089 persons employed in such manufacturing industries as are claimed to be benefitted by a high tariff.

SHOULD BE KEPT IN VIEW.

To these the appeal is made to save their employment and maintain their wages by resisting a change. There should be no disposition to answer such suggestions by the allegation that they are in a minority among those who labor, and therefore should forego an advantage, in the interest of low prices for the majority; their compensation, as it may be affected by the operation of tariff laws, should at all times be scrupulously kept in view; and yet with slight reflection they will not overlook the fact that they are consumers with the rest; that they, too, have their own wants and those of their families to supply from their earnings, and that the price of the necessaries of life, as well as the amount of their wages, will regulate the measure of their welfare and comfort.

But the reduction of taxation demanded should be so measured as not to nescessiate or justify either the loss of employment by the workingman nor the lessening of his wages; and the profits still remaining to the manufacture, after a necessary readjustment, should furnish no excuse for the sacrifice of the interests of his employes either in their opportunity to work or in the diminution of their compensation. Nor can the worker in manufactures fail to understand that while a high tariff is claimed to be necessary to allow the payment of remunerative wages, it certainly results in a large increase in the price of nearly all sorts of manufactures, which, in almost countless forms, he needs for the use of himself and his family. He receives at the desk of his employer his wages, and perhaps before he reaches his home he is obliged, in a purchase for family use of an article which embraces his own labor, to return in the payment of the increase in price which the tariff permits the hard-earned compensation of many days of toil.

THE FARMERS.

The farmer and the agriculturist who manufacture nothing, but who pay the increased price which the tariff imposes upon every agricultural implement, upon all he wears and upon all he uses and owns, except the increase of his flocks and herds and such things as his husbandry produces from the soil, is invited to aid in maintaining the present situation, and he holds that a high duty on imported wool is necessary for the benefit of those who have sheep to sheer in order that the price of their wool may be increased. They of course are not reminded that the farmer who has no sheep is by this scheme obliged, in his purchase of clothing and woolen goods, to pay a tribute to his fellow farmer as well as to the manufacturer and merchant; nor is any mention made of the fact that the sheep owners themselves and their households must wear clothing and use other articles manufactured from the wool they sell at tariff prices, and thus consumers must return their share of this increased price to the tradesman.

I think it may be fairly assumed that a large proportion of the sheep owned by the farmers throughout the country are found in small flocks ranging from twenty-five to fifty. The duty on the grade of imported wool which these sheep yield, is ten cents each pound if of the value of thirty cents or less, and twelve cents if of the value of more than thirty cents. Even the liberal estimate of six pounds be allowed for each fleece, the duty thereon would be sixty or seventy-two cents, and this may be taken as the utmost enhancement of its price to the farmer by reason of its duty. Eighteen dollars would thus represent the increased price on the wool from twenty-five sheep and $36 that from the wool of fifty sheep; and at present values this would amount to about one-third of its price. If upon its sale the farmer receives this or less tariff profits, the wool leaves his hands charged with that sum, which in all its changes will adhere to it, until it reaches the consumer. When manufactured into cloth and other goods and material for use, its cost is not only increased to the extent of the farmer's tariff profit, but a further sum has been added for the benefit of the manufacturer under the operation of other tariff laws.

In the meantime the day arrives when the farmer finds it necessary to purchase woollen goods and material to clothe himself and family for the winter. When he faces the tradesman for that purpose he discovered that he is obliged not only to return, in the way of increased prices, his tariff profit on the wool he sold, and which then perhaps lies before him in manufactured form, but that he must add a considerable sum thereto to meet a further increase in cost caused by a tariff duty on the manufacture. Thus in the end he is aroused to the fact that he has paid upon a moderate purchase, as a result of the tariff scheme, which, when he sold his wool, seemed so profitable, an increase in price more than sufficient to sweep away all the tariff profit he received upon the wool he produced and sold.

When the number of farmers engaged in wool raising is compared with all the farmers in the country, and the small proportion they bear to our population as considered; when it is made apparent that, in the case of a large part of those who own sheep, the benefit of the present tariff on wool is illusory; and above all, when it must be conceded that the increase of the cost of living caused by such tariff, becomes a burden upon those with moderate means and the poor, the employed and the unemployed, the sick and well, and the young and old, and that it constitutes a tax which, with relentless grasp, is fastened upon the clothing of every man, woman, and child in the land, reasons are suggested why the removal or reduction of this duty should be included in a revision of our tariff laws.

COMPETITION STRANGLED BY COMBINATIONS.

In speaking of the increased cost to the consumer of our home manufactures, resulting from a duty laid upon the imported articles of the same description, the fact is not overlooked that competition among our domestic producers sometimes has the effect of keeping the price of their products below the highest limit allowed by such duty. But it is notorious that this competition is too often strangled by combinations quite prevalent at this time, and frequently called trusts, which have for their object the regulation of the supply of and price of commodities made and sold by members of the combination. The people can hardly hope for any consideration in the operation of these selfish schemes.

If, however, in the absence of such combination, a healthy and free competition reduces the price of any particular dutiable article of home production, below the limit which it might otherwise reach under our tariff laws, and if, with such reduced price the manufacture continues to thrive, it is entirely evident that one thing has been discovered which should be carefully scrutinized in an effort to reduce taxation.

The necessity of combination to maintain the price of any commodity to the tariff point, furnishes proof that someone is willing to accept lower prices for such commodity, and that such prices are remunerative; and lower prices produced by competition prove the same thing. Thus, where either of these conditions exist, a case would seem to be presented for an easy reduction of taxation.

CUSTOM DUTIES.

The considerations which have been presented touching our tariff laws are intended only to enforce an earnest recommendation that the surplus revenues of the government be prevented by the reduction of our custom duties, and, at the same time, to emphasize a suggestion that in accomplishing this purpose we may discharge a double duty to our people by granting to them a measure of relief from tariff taxation in quarters where it is most needed and from sources where it can be most fairly and justly accorded.

Nor can the presentation made of such considerations be, with any degree of fairness, regarded as evidence of unfriendliness toward our manufacturing interests, or of any lack of appreciation of their value and importance.

These interests constitute a leading and most substantial element of our national greatness and furnish the proud proof of our country's progress. But if in the emergency that presses upon us our manufacturers are asked to surrender something for the public good, and to avert disaster, their patriotism, as well as a grateful recognition of advantages already afforded, should lead them to willing co-operation. No demand is that they shall forego all the benefits of governmental regard; but they cannot fail to be admonished of their duty, as well as their enlightened self-interest and safety, when they are reminded of the fact that financial panic and collapse, to which the present condition tends, afford no greater shelter or protection to our manufactures than to our other important enterprises. Opportunity for safe, careful, and deliberate reform is now offered; and none of us should be unmindful of a time when an abused and irritated people, heedless of those who have resisted timely and reasonable relief, may insist upon a radical and sweeping rectification of their wrongs.

The difficulty attending a wise and fair revision of our tariff laws is not underestimated. It will require on the part of the congress great labor and care, and especially a broad and national contemplation of the subject, and a patriotic disregard of such local and selfish claims as are unreasonable and reckless of the welfare of the entire country.

FOUR THOUSAND DUTIABLE ARTICLES.

Under our present laws more than four thousand articles are subject to duty. Many of these do not in any way compete with our own manufactures, and many are hardly worth attention as subjects of revenue. A considerable reduction can be made in the aggregate by adding them to the free list. The taxation of luxuries presents no no features of hardships; but the necessaries of life used and consumed by all the people, the duty upon which adds to the cost of living in every home, should be greatly cheapened.

THE DUTY ON RAW MATERIAL.

The radical reduction of the duties imposed upon raw material used in manufactures, or its free importation, is of course an important factor in any effort to reduce the price of these necessaries; it would not only relieve them from the increased cost caused by the tariff on such material, but the manufactured product being thus cheapened, that part of the tariff now laid upon such product, as a compensation to our manufacturers for the present price of raw material, could be accordingly modified. Such reduction, or free importation, would serve beside to largely reduce the revenue. It is not apparent how such a change can have any such injurious effect upon our manufacturers. On the contrary, it would appear to give them a better chance in foreign markets with the manufacturers of other countries, who cheapen their wares by free material. Thus our people might have the opportunity of extending their sales beyond the limits of home consumption, saving them from the depression, interruption in business, and loss caused by a glutted domestic market, and affording their employes more certain and steady labor, with its resulting quiet and contentment.

The question thus imperatively presented for solution should be approached in a spirit higher than partisanship and considered in the light of that regard for patriotic duty which should characterize the action of those intrusted with the weal of a confiding people. But the obligation to declared party policy and principle is not wanting to urge prompt and effective action. Both of the great political parties now represented in the government have, by repeated and authoritative declarations, condemned the condition of our laws which permit the collection from the people of unnecessary revenue, and have in the most solemn manner promised its correction, and neither as citizens or partisans are our countrymen in a mood to condone the deliberate violation of these pledges.

FACT, NOT THEORY.

Our progress toward a wise conclusion will not be improved by dwelling upon theories of protection and free trade. This savors too much of bandying epithets. It is a condition which confronts us not a theory. Relief from this condition may involve a slight reduction of the advantages which we award our home productions, but the entire withdrawal of such advantages should not be contemplated. The question of free trade is absolutely irrelevant; and the persistent claim made in certain quarters, that all efforts to relieve the people from unjust and unnecessary taxation are schemes of so-called free traders, is mischevous and far removed from any consideration for the public good.

The simple and plain duty which we owe the people is to reduce taxation to the necessary expenses of an economical operation of the government, and to restore to the business of the country the money which we hold in the treasury through the perversion of governmental powers. These things can and should be done with safety to all our industries, without danger to the opportunity for remunerative labor which our workingmen need, and with benefit to them and all our people, by cheapening the means of their subsistence and increasing the measure of their comforts.

I am so much impressed with the paramount importance of the subject to which this communication has thus far been devoted, that I shall forego the addition of any other topic, and only urge upon your immediate consideration the "state of the union," as shown in the present condition of our treasury and our general fiscal situation, upon which every element of our safety and prosperity depends.

As the law makes no provision for any report from the department of state, a brief history of the transactions of that important department, together with other matters which it may hereafter be deemed essential to commend to the attention of the congress, may furnish the occasion for a future communication.

GROVER CLEVELAND.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6, 1887.

ASSAULTED AND ROBBED.

A Man With His Head Fractured and Frozen Nearly Stiff Found in a Box Car.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 8. In a Central box car a man was found yesterday lying insensible in a pool of blood with a terrible wound in the head, caused by a blunt instrument. Although the body was frozen almost stiff signs of life were discovered, and the unfortunate was taken to the hospital. He was well dressed and quite young, not more than twenty, with smooth face, and was about 5 feet 8 inches in height.

When found one of his pockets was turned inside out and in one of his vest pockets were two pieces of watch chain. If he was robbed, as seems probable, the thieves must have been in a hurry, as in his inside pocket of his vest was found a Russia leather pocket book containing $95 and some calling cards, bearing the name of "Charles Waterstraw, Macedon, N. Y."

At a late hour last evening the victim was still unconscious and will probably die. The detectives have no clue which promises to furnish a solution of the mystery.

The Coal Company Wins.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 8.—Judge McKenna, of the United States court, has reversed the finding of the Master, S. B. Dixon, in the case of the New York and Cleveland Coal company against the receiver of the Buffalo, New York and Philadelphia Railway company. It was claimed by the coal company that the railway made an agreement with it, under which freight rates were to be reduced if the price of mining advanced, so that, whatever the price of mining, a profit should remain. The master decided that there had been no such agreement. The reversal of judgement entitles the coal company to large drawbacks from the railroad.

More Pennsylvania Counterfeiters Caught.

WILKESBARRE, Dec. 8.—Two notorious crooks were arrested for making and circulating counterfeit silver dollars. One of them is James Wilson, alias James Halan, of Dunkirk, N. Y., who was captured at Mill Creek, two miles from here. The other is Judd Wollcott, who was recently released from the penitentiary in Philadelphia after serving twelve years for burglary.

Will Contest the Election.

CARLISLE, Pa., Dec. 8.—John Rupp, the recently defeated democratic candidate for clerk of the courts, has gone into court to contest the election of his rival. Willard F. Thompson, republican, on the ground that the ticket of the latter reads "clerk of the courts," instead of "clerk of the courts and recorder of deeds."

Shot a Bullet Into His Brain.

WESTCHESTER, Pa., Dec. 8.—Joseph McCoy a resident of this county, was examining a revolver thought to be empty when it was discharged, the bullet entering the right side of his face and lodging in the brain. He is not expected to live.

Faithless Tax Collector Rigg.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Dec. 8.—Calvin W. Rigg, ex-collector of school taxes for Conshohocken, pleaded guity in court yesterday to the charge of embezzling about $2,000 of the school district's funds. Sentence was deferred.

For Stealing an Umbrella.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Recorder Smyth yesterday sentenced Henry Smith to five years in Sing Sing for stealing an umbrella from Samuel Leneke while the latter was crossing City Hall park.

Fifty Cases of Scarlet Fever.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Dec. 8.—Fifty cases of scarlet fever and fifteen deaths have occurred at Lee within three weeks. Schools are closed until Jan. 1. An increase of the epidemic is feared.

Incendiary Fires in Nashua.

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 8.—Citizens here are excited over three incendiary fires Tuesday night, which kept the fire department on duty until late yesterday morning.

Printers Elect Officers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Yesterday Typographical Union No. 6 elected officers for the ensuing year. Messrs Duncan, Wildman and the whole of the old fossil ticket elected. Sixty-six "chapels" had given Duncan 606 and Rymer 577, with sixty "chapels" to hear from.

Woolen Mills Sold.

BENNINGTON, Vt., Dec. 8.—The Bennington Woolen mills were sold at auction yesterday by the assignee of R. H. Haines, bankrupt. The creditors bid off the property for $42,000, about one-twenty-fifth of the cost.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 1, 1887.

Adams, Mrs Charles	Maire, Laura Cook
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Calvert, Mrs Wm	Smith, Miss Maude
Everett, Mrs	Schavier Wm. M.
Hoperson, Thos (2)	Stryon Will E.
Hale, Mrs Susan	Taylor, Mrs. Pauline
Hanford, Miss Elizabeth	Taylor, Mrs. W. W.
Kennedy, Wm	Taylor, Mr. W.
Leake, Samuel	Walls, Sam'l W.
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DEATHS.

BASCOME—On Tuesday, Dec. 6th, of pneumonia, D. B. Bascome, M. D., of Turk's Island, Bahamas, in the 71st year of his age.

Funeral services at the residence of his son, Geo. D. Bascome, No. 5 East 9th street, on Friday, Dec. 9th, at half-past 2 o'clock. Interment private.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

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The Ex-Postmaster of West Springfield, Mass., Continued to Receive Mail Matter After His Removal.

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—A proportion of the population of West Springfield were before United States Commissioner Hallet yesterday. The citizens of that bailliwick were evidently unwilling witnesses against two of their fellow-townsmen, Theodore Demond and Arthur Demond. The case was a very peculiar postoffice affair, growing out of the appointment of Frederick L Leonard, a democrat, in June last, to succeed Theodore Demond as postmaster. Demond worked hard to keep his office, as the postoffice was run in connection with his store. After Leonard was appointed he had the postoffice removed to a private house. Then the residents began a systematic boycott against the new official, which, according to the testimony offered, was aided in a great measure by the Demonds.

It appears that the Demonds induced the citizens to leave their mail matter at their store, and they carried it to Springfield and mailed it there. As a result of the boycott the receipts of the West Springfield office fell off nearly 50 per cent. Several witness, including many of the prominent men of the place, were forced to admit on the witness stand that they had regularly and systematically boycotted the new postmaster. James W. Erwin, a postoffice inspector, testified that several weeks ago complaint was made to the department at Washington of irregularities at the West Springfield office; that he went to the town and found that the receipts of the office averaged for nine quarters about $94 a quarter; that Demond was removed in June last, and that the last quarter, ending in September, showed receipts of but $57; that he learned that there was a boycott on the office, and that Demond was running a postoffice in his store in the "brick block," where the postoffice had formerly been situated; that he, the witness, learned that Theodore Demond was collecting letters, and that he, or his son, Arthur Demond, was taking them to Springfield to be mailed. Witness then left two letters at Demond's store at 1:30 o'clock on a certain day, and the post mark showed that they were deposited in the Springfield office at 2:30 o'clock on the same day.

Theodore Demond testified that he did not realize that he was running a postoffice, but admitted that he received letters at his store and forwarded them to Springfield. In the case against the son, Arthur Demond, it appeared from the evidence of the inspector that the defendant was seen on one day to mail 11 letters at Springfield, and on another day 13 letters, all of which were brought from West Springfield. The defendant did not deny taking letters to mail, but he did not make regular trips for the purpose.

Commissioner Hallett at the conclusion of the evidence decided to hold each of the plaintiffs in $500 bail for the present sitting of the district court grand jury. It appeared from a conversation with several of the citizens of the town present that the feeling against the postmaster is decidedly bitter; that letters are collected daily all over the town by expressmen, milkmen, and others and taken to Springfield, where they are mailed; that there are very few who hire boxes at the office, and the case against the Demonds seems to have resulted in making the opponents of the present postmaster more determined than ever that the latter shall get little or nothing out of the office.

MR. POWDERLY'S THIRD LETTER

He Says the Government Should Control All the Telegraph Lines.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 8.—The third in the series of letters addressed by General Master Workman Powderly to the order of the knights of labor is confined to an attack on the Western Union telegraph monopoly, with a recommendation that the United States government should control all telegraph lines. The plan of placing the stock of the only telegraph system in the union into the hands of foreign capitalists, Mr. Powderly thinks, is ominous of impending danger, and, citing the recent crisis in France as a case of monarchical interference with republican institutions, he asks: "Who will say that if it is to the interest of royalty, of those who favor monarchial institutions, to use the present system of telegraphy against our republic, cannot be done?" The letter ridicules the argument that the establishment of the government system would be a new channel for party influences, and says: "The total number of telegraph operators in the United States will not exceed 17,000. They would not all be bound to vote for the government candidate any more than the employees of the postoffice department would."

End of the Kissane Case.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8. Recorder Smyth yesterday ordered the indictment made Nov. 14, 1854, against William Kissane dismissed on the ground that more than thirty years has elapsed since the instrument was made, and that most of the witnesses were dead or in other countries. The crime upon which the indictment was found was forgery, alleged to have been committed by Kissane on the Chemical National bank for $14,800. Kissane is now known as William C. Rogers.

Patrons of Husbandry in Session.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec 8.—The annual meeting of the State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, was begun in the assembly chamber in the court house yesterday Worthy Master Richmond Coles presided, and 36 granges were represented. The reports showed that the order in New Jersey is in a prosperous condition.

Two Hundred Hands Cut of Employment

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 8.—The Richmond manufacturing company has decided to shut down permanently their print works in this city, which have been running for over forty years. They run eight machines and employ nearly 200 hands.

Connecticut Prohibitionists.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 8.—The prohibition state convention, which will last two days began yesterday forenoon. There were over four hundred delegates present, from almost every town and city in the state.

Immigrants from Italy.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 8.—The British steamer Elysia, of the Anchor line, arrived at her wharf this morning from Palermo Italy, with 613 immigrants and a cargo of [illegible] from Sicily.

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[illegible]N, Dec. 8.—Ensigns Frank R [illegible]. E. Woodworth, have been [illegible]ly as inspectors of steel for [illegible]s at Pittsburg, Pa.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.35, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m. 12.23, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9,18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9 29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6 05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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THE NEW CODE IN PRACTICE.

General McCrady Obtains the Weather Gauge and Intends to Hold it.

COLUMBIA, S. C. Dec. 8.—Rumors have been rife for several days of a contemplated challenge to mortal combat or a street duel growing out of a rupture between General Edward McCrady, a prominent lawyer and politician of Charleston, and Dr. T. C. Robertson, a cotton broker of this city.

To the [illegible] to whom the matter has been known, however, General McCrady has brought suit for slander against Dr. Robertson, claiming $10,000 damages, on account of a disagreement about a legal transaction.

Dr. Robertson has publicly denounced General McCrady as a liar, a scoundrel and a rascal. In a letter addressed to McCrady a few days ago, upon which the slander suit is based, Robertson says:

"You have been guilty of falsehood, treachery and scoundrelism. You have sworn falsely under oath. You acted rascally and and dishonestly when you bought a mortgage for a nominal sum and brought suit upon it when you had advised us as our attorney that it was worthless." And so the letter runs.

Before the passage of the anti-duelling law a mortal combat would have been the inevitable result of such an insult. Gen. McCrady was an officer in the Confederate army and enjoys the distinction of being the author of the famous "Eight Box Election law" of South Carolina.

A Convict's Revenge.

AUBURN, N. Y., Dec. 8.—Alexander Barbara, serving an eight-year sentence in Auburn, while walking in the prison yard yesterday afternoon approached Keeper Bray from behind and stabbed him fourteen times in the face, head and arms with a shoe knife. Bray defended himself with his heavy cane as best he could, striking the desperate convict a number of blows, but finally fell to the ground exhausted. The physicians state that Bray will probably recover. Barbara had complained of being ill, and had asked Bray to send him to the hospital. Bray refused, and it is supposed that Barbara attacked the keeper for revenge.

Chamberlain Lionized by Society.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Joseph Chamberlain continues to be the social lion of the capital. No gathering is complete without his presence. His tables are heaped with invitations to dine, to lunch, to dance, to take tea, to sup and to drink. He need never be alone for a moment. He is more sought after than was Oscar Wilde when he came to our shores, for the charming apostle of æstheticism was beloved by the women, whereas the president of the fisheries commission is sought after by all. Mrs. Whitney has issued cards of invitation for a dinner this week to meet Mr. Chamberlain.

No Troops Wanted.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 8.—Reports received here from Fairport, O., announced serious trouble among ore-handlers and it is reported that four men have been shot. Sheriff Austin made a call on the governor for troops and one company was ordered under arms. It has since been learned that there had been no violence, the trouble having been caused by some strikers refusing to permit new men to go to work. The order for the troops was countermanded and the militia disbanded.

Fatal Collapse of a Water Tower.

SAVANNAHA, Ga., Dec. 8.—At Thomasville yesterday the collapse of a water tower killed four men and caused a serious injury to four others—one of whom cannot live. Four other men clung to a portion of the wall which did not fall, and were finally rescued by means of ropes and ladders. Two of the killed were white men, T. H P. Rommerdell and Joseph Moore. The other two killed were colored men.

Centralizing Hawaiian Sugar.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 8.—Mr. Frank H. Austin, an official in Honolulu, will leave here to-day for England, where he goes to arrange for a consolidation of the sugar estates on the Sandwich Islands. He says the people on the islands are specially desirous that the United States does not remove the duty on sugar.

Manufacturers Support the President.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 7. The Collier White Lead company sent President Cleveland the following telegram to-day: "Acting upon the suggestion made in your annual message, we, as manufacturers of white lead, ask that the tariff on white lead and gray lead be reduced 50 per cent. for the public good."

To Investigate Election Frauds in Ohio.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 8.—The judge of the criminal court of common pleas has granted the application of the prosecuting attorney for a special grand jury to investigate the election tally-sheet forgeries, committed in this city in 1885. The jury was drawn and ordered to report at 10 a. m. to-day.

The Hudson Clear of Ice.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y., Dec. 8.—There is not a particle of ice in the Hudson, which fact is remarkable at this time in the month. This condition of affairs has relieved shippers of late freights from any apprehension of boats being frozen in and freights retarded.

Evangelical Christians in Session.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The general conference of all evangelical Christians, under the auspices of the national evangelical alliance, for which a call was issued in October last, has opened its session in this city and will continue the session until December 10th.

McDonald the Boodler.

CHICAGO, Dec 8.—A motion was argued in appellate court to quash the writ of error in the case of Edward McDonald, the convicted boodler, on the ground of its want of jurisdiction in criminal cases. The court has as yet made no decision in the matter.

Philadelphia Bucket Shops Raided.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 8.—The bucket-shop at the Girard house, together with half a dozen others, has just been raided. In some instances traders have been arrested and held as witnesses. There is great excitement on the streets.

He Would Not Be Bribed.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 8.—The *Enquirer* to-day furnishes what it claims to be positive information that District Attorney Burnet has been approached and offered $20,000 to let up on E. L. Harper, now on trial for wrecking the Fidelity bank.

The Mormon Books Seized.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 8.—United States Marshal Dyer yesterday seized the office and books of the president of the Mormon church. The organ of the church last night [illegible]s a very bitter protest against [illegible]

Jehu's Salutation to Jehonadab From the Chariot.

An All Important Question—A Right Heart Is a Repentant Heart, a Believing Heart and an Expectant Heart —Dr. Talmage's Sermon.

The subject of Rev. T. Dewitt Talmage's sermon at the Brooklyn Tabernacle last Sunday was "Salutation from the Chariot," and his text II. Kings, x 15: "Is thine heart right?" Mr. Talmage spoke as following:

With mettled horses at full speed, for he was celebrated for fast driving. Jehu, the warrior and king, returns from battle. But seeing Jehonadab, an acquaintance, by the wayside, he shouted "Whoa! whoa!" to the lathered span. Then, leaning over to Jehonadab, Jehu salutes him in the words of the text—words not more appropriate for that hour and that place than for this hour and place.

Is thine heart right? I should like to hear of your physical health. Well, myself, I like to have everybody else well; and so might ask, is your eyesight right, your hearing right, your nerves right, your lungs right, your entire body right? But I am busy to-day taking diagnosis of the more important spiritual conditions.

I should like to hear of your financial welfare. I want everybody to have plenty of money, ample apparel, large storehouse, and comfortable residence; and I might ask: Is your business right, your income right, your worldly surroundings right? But what are these financial questions compared with the inquiry as to whether you have been able to pay your debts to God; as to whether you are insured for eternity; as to whether you are ruining yourself by the long-credit system of the soul? I have known men to have no more than one loaf of bread at a time, and yet to own a government bond of Heaven worth more than the whole material universe.

The question I ask you to-day is not in regard to your habits. I make no inquiry about your integrity, or your chastity, or your sobriety. I do not mean to stand on the outside of the gate and ring the bell: but coming up the steps I open the door and come to the private apartment of the soul; and with the earnestness of a man that must give an account for this day's work, I cry out, O, man, oh, woman immortal. Is thine heart right?

I will not insult you by an argument to prove that we are by nature all wrong. If there be a factory explosion, and the smoke-stack be upset, and the wheels be broken in two, and the engine unjointed, and the ponderous bars be twisted, and a man should look in and say that nothing was the matter, you would pronounce him a fool. Well, it needs no acumen to discover that our nature is all atwist and askew and unjointed. The thing doesn't work right. The biggest trouble we have in the world is with our souls.

Men sometimes say that though their lives may not be just right, their heart is all right. Impossible! A farmer never puts the poorest apples on top of his barrel; nor does the merchant place the meanest goods in his show window. The best part of us is our outward life. I do not stop to discuss whether we all fell in Adam, for we have been our own Adam, and have all eaten of the forbidden fruit, and have been turned out of the paradise of holiness and peace, and though the flaming sword that stood at the gate to keep us out has changed position, and comes behind to drive us in, we will not go.

The Bible account of us is not exaggerated, when it says that we are poor and wretched, and miserable, and blind, and naked. Poor: the wretch that stands shivering on our doorstep on a cold day is not so much in need of bread as we are of spiritual help. Blind: why, the man whose eyes perished in the powder blast, and who for these ten years has gone feeling his way from street to street, is not in such utter darkness as we. Naked: why, there is not one rag of holiness left to hide the shame of our sin. Sick: why, the leprosy has eaten into the head, and the heart, and the hands, and the feet; and the marasmus of an everlasting wasting away has already seized on some of us.

But the nearest thing for a man to do is to discourse about an evil without pointing a way to have it remedied. I speak of the thirst of your hot tongue, only that I may show you the living stream that drops crystalline and sparkling from the Rock of Ages, and pours a river of gladness at your feet. If I show you the rents in your coat, it is only because the door of God's wardrobe now swings open, and here is a robe, white with the fleece of the lamb of God, and of a cut and make that an angel would not be ashamed to wear. If I snatch from you the black, moldy bread that you are munching, it is only to give you the bread made out of the finest wheat that grows on the celestial hills, and baked in the fires of the cross, and one crumb of which would be enough to make all heaven a banquet. Hear it, one and all, and tell it to your friends when you go home, that the Lord Jesus Christ can make the heart right.

First we need a repenting heart. If for the last ten, twenty, or forty years of life we have been going on in the wrong way, it is time that we turned around and started in the opposite direction. If we offend our friends we are glad to apologize. God is our best friend, and yet how many of us have never apologized for the wrongs we have done him!

There is nothing that we so much need to get rid of as sin. It is a horrible black monster. It polluted Eden. It killed Christ. It has blasted the world. Men keep dogs in kennels, and rabbits in a warren, and cattle in a pen. What a man that would be who would shut them up in his parlor. But this foul dog of sin, and these herds of transgression, we have entertained for many a long year in our heart, which should be the cleanest, brightest room in all our nature. Out with the vile herd! Begone, ye befoulers of an immortal nature! Turn out the beasts, and let Christ come in!

A heathen came to an early Christian who had the reputation of curing diseases. The Christian said: "You must have all your idols destroyed." The heathen gave to the Christian the key to his house, that he might go in and destroy the idols. He battered to pieces all he saw, but still the man did not get well. The Christian said to him: "There must be some idol in your house not yet destroyed." The heathen confessed that there was one idol of beaten gold that he could not bear to give up. After a while, when that was destroyed, in answer to the prayer of the Christian, the sick man got well.

Many a man has awakened in his dying hours to find his sins all about him. They clambered up on the right side of the bed, and on the left side, and over the headboard, and over the footboard, and horribly devoured the soul.

"Repent! the voice celestial cries,
Nor longer dare delay;
The wretch that scorns the mandate dies,
And meets a fiery day."

Again we need a believing heart. A good many years ago a weary one went up one of the hills of Asia Minor, and with two logs on His back cried out to all the world, offering to carry their sins and sorrows. They pursued Him. They slapped Him in the face. They mocked Him. When He groaned they groaned. They shook their fists at Him. They spit on Him. They hounded Him as though He were a wild beast. His healing of the sick, His sight-giving to the blind, His mercy to the outcast silenced not the revenge of the world. His prayers and benedictions were lost in that whirlwind of execration. Away with Him! Away with Him!

Ah! it was not merely the two pieces of wood that He carried: it was the trangressions of the race, the anguish of the ages, the wrath of God, the sorrows of hell, the stupendous interests of an unending eternity. No wonder His back bent. No wonder the blood started from every pore. No wonder that He crouched under a torture that made the sun faint, and the everlasting hills tremble, and the dead rush up in their winding sheets as He cried: "If it be possible, let this cup pass from me." But the cup did not pass. None to comfort.

There He hangs! What has that hand done that it should be thus crushed in the palm? It has been healing the lame and wiping away tears. What has that foot been doing that it should be so lacerated? It has been going about doing good. Of what has the victim been guilty? Guilty of saving a world. Tell me, ye heavens and earth, was there ever such another criminal? Was there ever such a crime? On that hill of carnage, that sunless day, amid those howling rioters, may not your sins and mine have perished? I believe it.

O, the ransom has been paid! Those arms of Jesus were stretched out so wide that when He brought them together again they might embrace the world. O, that I might, out of the blossoms of the spring, or the flaming foliage of the autumn, make one wreath for my Lord!

O, that all the triumphal arches of the world could be swung in one gateway, where the King of Glory might come in! O, that all the harps and trumpets and organs of earthly music might, in one anthem, speak His praise!

But what were earthly flowers to Him who walketh amid the snow of the white lilies of Heaven! What were arches of earthly masonry to Him who hath about His throne a rainbow spun out of everlasting sunshine! What were all earthly music to Him when the hundred and forty and four thousand on one side, and the cherubim, and seraphim, and archangels stand on the other side, and all the space between is filled with the doxologies of eternal jubilee!—the hosannah of a redeemed earth, the hallelujah of unfallen angels, song after song rising about the throne of God and of the Lamb. In that pure, high place, let him hear us. Stop! harps of heaven, that our poor cry may be heard.

O, my Lord Jesus! it will not hurt Thee for one hour to step out from the shining throne. They will make it all up when Thou goest back again. Come hither, O Blessed One, that we may kiss Thy feet. Our hearts, too long withheld, we now surrender into Thy keeping. When Thou goest back, tell it to all the immortals that the lost are found, and, let Thy Father's house ring with the music and the dance.

They have some old wine in heaven, not used except in rare festivities. In the world, those who are accustomed to use wine on great occasions bring out the beverage and say: "This wine is thirty years old," or "forty years old." But the wine of heaven is more than eighteen centuries old. It was prepared at the time when Christ trod the wine press alone. When such grievous sinners as we come back, methinks the chamberlain of heaven cries out to the servants: "This is unusual joy! Bring up from the vaults of heaven that old wine. Fill all the tankards. Let the white-robed guests drink to the immortal health of those new-born sons and daughters of the Lord Almighty." There is joy in heaven among the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth; and God grant that that one may be you!

Again, in order to have a right heart it must be a forgiving heart. An old writer says: "To render good for evil is God-like; good for good is man-like; evil for good devil-like." Which of these natures have we? Christ will have nothing to do with us as long as we keep any old grudge. We have all been cheated and lied about. There are people who dislike us so much that if we should come down to poverty and disgrace, they would say, "Good for him! Didn't I tell you so?" They never have understood us, and never will. They do not understand us. Unsanctified human nature says, "Wait till you get a good crack at him, and when at last you find him in a tight place, give it to him. Flay him alive. No quarter. Leave not a rag of reputation. Jump on him with both feet. Pay him in his own coin—sarcasm for sarcasm, scorn for scorn, abuse for abuse. But, my friends, that is not the right kind of heart. No man ever did so mean a thing toward us as we have done toward God. And if we can not forgive others, how can we expect God to forgive us? Thousands of men have been kept out of Heaven by an unforgiving heart.

Here is some one who says: "I will forgive that man the wrong he did me about that house and lot; I will forgive that man who overreached me in a bargain; I will forgive that man who sold me a shoddy overcoat; I forgive them—all but one. That man I can not forgive. The villain—I can hardly keep my hands off of him. If my going to Heaven depends on my forgiving him then I will stay out." Wrong feeling! If a man lie to me once I am not called to trust him again. If a man betray me once I am not called to put confidence in him again. But I would have no rest if I could not offer a sincere prayer for the temporal and everlasting welfare of all men, whatever meanness and outrage they have inflicted upon me. If you want to get your heart right strike a match and burn up all your old grudges and blow the ashes away. "If you forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Heavenly Father forgive you your trespasses." An old Christian black woman was going along the streets of New York with a basket of apples that she had for sale. A rough sailor ran against her and upset the basket, and stood back expecting to hear her scold frightfully; but she stooped down and picked up the apples and said: "God forgive you, my son, as I do." The sailor saw the meanness of what he had done, and felt in his pocket for his money, and insisted that she should take it all. Though she was black, he called her mother, and said: "Forgive me, mother; I will never do any thing so mean again." Ah! there is a power in a forgiving spirit to overcome all hardness. There is no way of conquering men like that of bestowing upon them your pardon, whether they will accept it or not.

Again, a right heart is an expectant heart. It is a poor business to be building castles in the air. Enjoy what you have now. Don't spoil your comfort in a small house because you expect a larger one. Don't fret about your income when it is three or four dollars per day, because you expect to have after a while ten dollars per day; or ten thousand a year, because you expect it to be twenty thousand a year. But about heavenly things, the more we think the better. Those castles are not in the air, but on the hills, and we have a deed of them in our possession. I like to see a man all full of heaven. He talks heaven. He sings heaven. He prays heaven. He dreams heaven. Some of us in our sleep have had the good places. We saw the pinnacles in the sky. We heard the click of the hoofs of the horses on which victors rode, and the clapping of the cymbals of eternal triumph. And while in our sleep we were glad that all our sorrows were over, and burdens done with, the throne of God grew whiter, whiter and whiter, till we opened our eyes and saw that it was only the sun of the earthly morning shining upon our pillow. To have a right heart you need to be filled with this expectancy. It would make your privations and annoyances more bearable.

In the midst of the city of Paris stands or did stand, a statue of the good, but broken-hearted Josephine. I never imagined that marble could be smitten into such tenderness. It seems not lifeless. If the spirit of Josephine be disentabernacled, the soul of the Empress has taken possession of this figure. I am not yet satisfied that it is stone. The puff of the dress on the arm seems to need but the pressure of the finger to indent it. The figure at the bottom of the robe, the ruffle at the neck, the fur lining on the dress, the embroidery of the satin, the cluster of lily and leaf and rose in her hand, the poise of her body as she seems to come sailing out of the sky, her face calm, humble, beautiful, but yet sad—attest the genius of the sculptor and the beauty of the heroine he celebrates. Looking up through the rifts of the coronet that encircles her brow, I could see the sky beyond, the great heavens where all woman's wrongs shall be righted, and the story of endurance and resignation shall be told to all the ages. The rose and the lily in the hand of Josephine will never drop their petals. The children of God, whether they suffer on earth, in palaces, or in hovels, shall come to that glorious rest, oh Heaven, sweet Heaven! at thy gate we set down all our burdens and griefs. The place will be full. Here there are vacant chairs at the hearth, and at the table, but there are no vacant chairs in Heaven. The crowns all won; the thrones all mounted.

Some talk of Heaven as though it were a very handsome church, where a few favored spirits would come in and sit down on finely-cushioned seats all by themselves, and sing psalms to all eternity. No, no. "I saw a great multitude that no man could number, standing before the throne. He that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and it was 12,000 furlongs," that is, 1,500 miles in circumference. Ah! Heaven is not a little colony, at one corner of God's dominion, where a man's entrance depends upon what kind of clothes he has upon his back, and how much money he has in his purse, but a vast empire. God grant that the light of that blessed world may shine upon us in our last moment.

The roughest time we had in crossing the ocean was at the mouth of Liverpool harbor. We arrived at nightfall, and were obliged to lie there till the morning, waiting for the rising of the tide before we could go up to the city. How the vessel pitched and writhed in the water! So sometimes the last illness of the Christian is a struggle. He is almost through the voyage. The waves of temptation toss his soul, but he waits for the morning. At last the light dawns, and the tides of joy rise to his soul, and he sails up and casts anchor within the veil.

Is thy heart right? What question can compare with this in importance?

It is a business question. Do you not realize that you will soon have to go out of that store, that you will soon have to resign that partnership; that soon among all the million dollars' worth of goods that are sold in New York you would not have the handling of a yard of cloth, or a pound of sugar, or a penny-worth of any thing; that soon if a conflagration should start at Central Park and sweep every thing to the Battery, it would not disturb you; that soon if every cashier should abscond and every insurance company should fail, it would not affect you? What are the quesoions that stop this side of the grave compared with the questions that reach beyond it? Are you making losses that are to be everlasting? Are you making purchases for eternity? Are you jobbing for time when you might be wholesaling for eternity? What question of the store is so broad at the base, and so altitudinous, and so overwhelming as the question, "Is thy heart right?"

Or, is it a domestic question? Is it something about father, or mother, or companion, or son, or daugeter that you think is comparable with this question in importance? Do you not realize that by universal and inexorable law all these relations will be broken up! Your father will be gone, your mother will be gone, your companion will be gone, your child be gone, and this supernal question will begin to harvest its chief gains, or deplore its worst losses, roll up into its mightiest magnitude, or sweep its vast circles. What difference now does it make to Napoleon III. whether he triumphed or surrendered at Sedan? Whether he lived at the Tuileries or at Chiselhurst? Whether he was emperor or exile? They laid him out in his coffin in the dress of a field marshal. Did that give him any better chance for the next world than if he had been laid out in a plain shroud? And soon to us what will be the difference whether in this world we rode or walked, were bowed to or maltreated, were applauded or hissed at, were welcomed in or kicked out, while laying hold of every moment of the great future, and burning in all the splendor or grief, and overarching and undergoing all time and all eternity, is the plain, simple, practical, thrilling, agonizing, overwhelming question, "Is thy heart right?" Have you within you a repenting heart, an expectant heart? If not, I must write upon your soul what George Whitefield wrote upon the window with his diamond ring. He tarried in an elegant house over night, but found that there was no God recognized in that house. Before he left his room in the morning, with his ring he wrote upon the window pane: "One thing thou lackest." After the guest was gone the housewife came up and looked at the window and saw the inscription, and called her husband and her children, and God, through that ministry of the window glass, brought them all to Jesus. Though you may to-day be surrounded by comforts and luxuries, and feel that you have need of nothing, if you are not the children of God, with the signet ring of Christ's love, let me inscribe upon your souls, "One thing thou lackest." I pray you that whatever else you may miss, you may not miss Heaven. It is too bright a home to lose. Your soul has been bought at too dear a price. I preach to you of the blood that cleanseth from all sin. Casting all your sins behind you, I beg of you to start this morning for the Kingdom. "Yes," you say, "I will start, but not now." William III. made proclamation, when there was a revolution in the north of Scotland, that all who came and took the oath of allegiance by the 31st of December should be pardoned. Maclan, a chieftain of a prominent clan, resolved to turn with the rest of the rebels, but had some pride in being the very last one that should take the oath. He postponed starting for the purpose until two days before the expiration of the term. A snow-storm impeded his way, and before he got up to take the oath and receive a pardon from the throne the time was up and past. While the others were set free, Maclan was miserably put to death. He started too late and arrived too late. In like manner some of you are in prospect of losing forever the amnesty of the Gospel. Many of you are going to be forever too late. Remember the irreparable mistake of Maclan.

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BY THE WAY.

—A top dressing of crushed stone is being spread over the stone ballast along the track at the depot.

—A cheap and simple remedy for neuralgia is to apply grated horseradish, prepared the same as for table use, to the temple.

—A meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps of this city will be held this evening. The election of officers will then take place.

—A "Mock Trial" will be held under the auspices of the Senior Society of the Y. M. C. A. on Tuesday evening next. All are cordially invited.

—The Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias will meet in this city February 16 and 17th. During that session the result of the recent election will be announced.

—A special train carrying Division Engineer Peddie, Supervisor Abbott and Bridge Builder Swackhammer, went over the New Jersey Central Railroad on Wednesday, on a tour of inspection.

—At the recent election in Somerville, petitions were circulated at the polls, asking the prosecutor to offer a reward of $1,000 for the arrest and conviction of horse thieves in Somerset county.

—The hearing in the case of the two young men who were arrested in North Plainfield township recently for Sunday gunning, was set down before Mayor Cooley for yesterday afternoon, but at that time it was adjourned over for one week.

—A beautiful hand-painted design, suitable for a holiday gift, is on exhibition at Mr. S. H. Vincent's restaurant on North avenue. The design is that of a peacock painted on red plush, and was executed by Miss Moody of this city. It will be disposed of by chance.

—The United States District Attorney for New Jersey will move the case of the United States *vs.* Daniel F. Beatty, the great organ dealer, for alleged fraudulent use of the mails, at Jersey City on Saturday. Mr. Beatty's counsel is Corporation Counsel Marsh of this city.

—An adjourned meeting of the Borough Council will be held this evening, when the subject of street lighting will be discussed, and Corporation Counsel Jackson will give his opinion as to what measures are to be taken to compel the Plainfield Electric Light Company to remove its poles and wires from the borough.

—August Disse has begun a criminal action against Henry Stanton for alleged ill-treatment. This is to be followed by a civil suit for the recovery of $1,000 damages. Corporation Counsel C. A. Marsh has been retained as Counsel for the plaintiff, and the case will be heard by Justice Wadsworth, on Monday next.

—Mr. H. H. Baker, who was authorized by the Council to number the houses and locate the names of streets at their intersections, has begun the work of naming the streets. Mr. Baker's object is to locate the street signs where they will best subserve the public's interests, and the progress of the work will be impeded if property owners refuse to allow him the privilege to place the signs in front of their premises. Mr. Baker requests that any and all persons who have objections to make, will please notify him by postal or otherwise.

—Persons who were lingering about the post office, waiting for the distribution of mail matter, a few evenings since, were surprised to see a neatly dressed man topple over and fall to the sidewalk, striking on his face. Several persons who supposed that the man had fallen in a fit, went to his assistance. It was soon discovered that the supposed live man was nothing more than an image dressed up as an advertisement for Messrs Schwed Bros., the clothiers. A general laugh followed, and those who lent their assistance still smile when they pass the place.

"AGE QUOD AGIS."

Reunion of the Class of '77.

The graduating class of ten years ago of the Plainfield High School, held a reunion last evening at the residence of Mrs. A. B. Beers who in '77 was Miss Adele Daniel. The affair was a social and convivial success, besides being literally a literary feast. Miss Julia Bulkley—then the class' teacher, and now the Principal of all the City's schools—was present, and also Miss Niles who taught the students when they were juniors. In the duties of hostess, Mrs. Beers was assisted by the "Class Baby" they are all so proud of as well as she.

The members present included, Miss Mary Mather, the valedictorian and Class President, Miss Kate Kimball, Mrs. Beers, Miss Carrie Dewey, Miss Ida Angleman, Miss Carrie Voorhees, Miss Julia Ketcham, Miss Louise Wood, Miss Mary Mosher, Mrs. Merrill (formerly Miss Allie Stelle) and Messrs. E. O. Chamberlin, Townsend Rushmore and Charles Dewey. Mrs. Chamberlin, Mr. Merrill and Mr. Beers—and the baby—were among the honored guests. Miss Mather presided over the "flow of soul" that began with tunes from the old school book, and the singing of the class ode. Miss Carrie Dewey read an original and cleverly written decennial history, and others gave extracts from the old records of the class' daily doings. The old march that so often led the class into Assembly Hall, was again played by Miss Dewey to lead them on this occasion into the dining room where the company seated themselves around a table laden with every delicacy immaginable. The cards at each plate were inscribed with appropriate quotations and pleasant allusions to past scenes and events of days now gone. Mr. Townsend Rushmore acted as toast-master, and the following were given and responded to by different members. The Class Motto—"*Age quod agis*;" The Teachers; The Single Members; and The Better-Halves, and Honorary Members. "Mark Twain's dissertation on Babies was read, and Miss Bulkley spoke for the Class' past teachers. Previous to these toasts, was discussed the adoption and presentation of a Class testimonial to the school. This matter was subsequently left in the hands of a committee. The evening's programme closed with the reading of a decennial ode by Miss Mather.

The success and effect of this reunion of the Class of '77, will undoubtedly be imitated and attained by others who have been graduated from the Plainfield High School.

North Plainfield Republican Meeting.

The Republican voters of North Plainfield Township to the extent of about forty, met in the hall over Collector Spencer's store last evening for the purpose of perfecting a Republican organization to be known as the "Republican Organization of North Plainfield," the object of which is to advance the interests of the Republican party. Hon. Charles Place called the meeting to order and presided as temporary chairman, Mr. H. J. Martin was chosen secretary. A resolution was adopted authorizing the chair to appoint a committee of five on Permanent Organization, said committee to report at the next meeting. The following were appointed on the committee: Messrs. Peter A. Emmons, Alex. Milne, E. J. Spooner, David Snedeker, Wm. D. Craig. The total number of applicants for membership up to date is 54. Adjournment was made until Wednesday next, when the organization will be completed by the election of officers, etc.

O. A. F.

A meeting of the Order of American Firemen of this city was held in the parlors of Gazelle engine house last evening. The attendance was unusually large. President B. A. Mumford presided and Secretary J. B. Martin recorded the proceedings. A report was heard from Messrs. Thomas Keller and T. O. Doane, constituting the committee which represented the Order from this city at the National Convention held in New York city recently. Messrs. Charles Davis and T. O. Doane were appointed as delegates to attend, with ex-Chief Saltzman, State Treasurer, and Thomas Keller, the National Secretary, O. A. F., a meeting of the Association to be held at Newark on the 15th instant. Ten new members were admitted into the Order, and adjournment was made to meet again at the same time and place one month hence.

Christmas Shopping.

Within the next fortnight Christmas shopping will be one of the chief occupations of every Plainfielder, but more especially of the ladies. Our merchants have made ample preparations for the holiday trade, which is evident from the display of goods in the shop windows about town. In most instances people who go to New York to make their selections, invariably return to find that they could have made better bargains at home. By consulting our advertising columns, purchasers may find something to their advantage.

Leo Daft's Lecture.

Notwithstanding the several other attractions in various parts of the city last evening, a large and appreciative audience assembled in Music Hall to listen to Mr. Leo Daft's lecture on "Electric Phenomena." During the day Music Hall had been wired for incandescent lighting, and from the dome of the large auditorium fifty incandescent lamps, from fifteen to twenty-five-candle power, shone brilliantly on the audience below. The stage put one in mind of an electrician's workshop, and the names of the various contrivances used in experimenting during the lecture, were known only by the lecturer himself and his able assistants, Messrs. Charles Scribner and Schuyler Crane. Electrical insulated wires of many varieties and sizes, were connected with the improved Daft dynamos erected at the owner's expense in French Bros' flouring mills on Somerset street, where the power for the exhibition was furnished. Corporation Counsel Craig A. Marsh advanced to the footlights and in a few appropriate words introduced the lecturer, Mr. Leo Daft of this city, although, he said, no introduction was necessary. Mr. Daft began his lecture by explaining the origin of electricity and the advancement made in the different systems, especially during the last decade. He illustrated his remarks with experiments showing powerful electric light from crude cork, and a 6,000-candle power arc light from prepared carbons. The latter was very dazzling and almost blinded the audience for several minutes afterward. He also illustrated, by experiment, the effect of admitting air into incandescent lamps, and the brilliant result of an excessive current on carbon pencils in the air, all of which were thoroughly instructive and highly appreciated by the audience, who frequently showed its appreciation of the lecturer's efforts by hearty applause. The electric stove and the shower of molten iron were equally interesting experiments. In the latter experiment, steel table knives, files and other hard substances were easily melted by inserting them between the carbons of powerful electric lights. Before concluding his lecture Mr. Daft gave some apt illustrations and experiments of axial magnetism—the magnetic ram, the bridge of spikes, etc. He closed by reciting an ode on electricity.

The lecturer before retiring thanked the audience for the close attention given him throughout his discourse and congratulated those present on the hearty support they had given so worthy a cause. The lecture was given as a special benefit to Trinity Reformed church, and the net proceeds will amount to between $200 and $300. Mr. Daft spared neither time or expense to make his experiments successful, and the magnets, motors, etc., used in illustrating one of the greatest discoveries of the 19th century, were all his own.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Dr. H. K. Carroll of North Plainfield, is attending the Christian Conference now in session at Washington, D. C.

Dr. Charles Luckey of Dunellen has taken unto himself as wife, Miss Smith of New Market. So are two hearts from rival towns, united.

Mr. John G. Haberle and family, who formerly resided on West Fifth street, have taken up their residence on Chatham street, in the borough.

About fifteen young people tendered a surprise party to Master Fred Walker at his residence on New street, last evening, the occasion being the celebration of his 17th birthday. Refreshments and games completed the programme.

Cranford Democrats Organize.

The Democratic voters of Cranford met at Hoskin Hall, last evening, for the purpose of organizing for the National campaign. Many of those present were representative Democrats of the place, and each of them entered into the work with a zeal, that, if continued, will show its results next November. A Democratic Club was organized by the election of the following officers: President, Edward Beadle; Vice President, Geo. H. Bruce; Treasurer, John W. Close; Corresponding Secretary, Kenyon Messick. The office of Recording Secretary will not be filled until the next meeting of the Club, which is to be held at Hoskin Hall, Wednesday evening, December 21.

The Size of It.

The Elizabeth *Herald* must be trying to "run a newspaper" on the dollar plan. This extract from its issue of Wednesday, is built that way:

"The Plainfield election yesterday was like the handle of a jug, all on one side, the Republicans, as usual, capturing all the offices. The liquor and temperance men were actively engaged all day, each voting for councilmen they thought would support license or oppose it. Every saloon was in full blast and the temperance people made a quiet but strong effort."

—The National Convention of the Republican Clubs will be held in Chickering Hall, New York, on Dec. 15th, 16th and 17th. Delegates will be present from the Union County League, including Mr. C. M. Goddard of this city.

FOR SWEET CHARITY'S SAKE.

A Musical and Dramatic Entertainment For the Benefit of Evona's Chapel.

The tastefully furnished parlors of Mrs. Kate C. Conant's residence at Evona, were comfortably filled, last evening, with a gathering whose patronage will swell the funds for the maintenance of the little Church of the Heavenly Rest, about $100. The occasion was a musical and dramatic entertainment, the programme of which has already appeared in these columns. An affair of the same sort, for the same worthy cause, was given in the same place the evening of Oct. 26, and because of its success and the desire of their friends to see the amateur caste in a play of a higher order, was last evening's programme arranged. Mr. "Wade Whipple" Stevens, the clever manager of the company, revised and elaborated the one act commedietta of "Trying It On" into shape, befitting the available talent. He expurged one part entirely and interpolated bits of melo-drama and farce, as well as a topical song of his own. The result of the play's rendition was thorough success. Miss Wilcox was a charming *soubrette*, and especially in the "balcony scene"—by Whipple after Shakespeare—was her audience fascinated by her natural sprightliness and "taking" ways. Mrs. Conant as leading lady was also thoroughly natural and altogether charming in a part that called for some pathos—tenderly rendered—a bit of coquetry—acted with skill—and visible through it all an old and ever constant love, that was shown in a manner commanding the sympathy of all present. Miss Stevens—whose powdered hair and *role* of "Aunt" could not hide youth's witcheries—filled her part most gracefully, and at times even passed that point where amateur stiffness and professional ease, meet. Mr. J. Oscar Stevens made a very satisfactory old uncle, and ably sustained throughout the play his character of a broker so immersed in stocks that he scans the dress tape as it runs out of "missuses aromatic sewin' machine" and wonders "what's the matter with the ticker." Mr. Whipple, who had created the parts for the others, had a dual character of his own to keep up. But he was more than equal to the emergency, as after filling both parts with elements of comedy and melo-drama, his genius still ran over.

The earlier portion of the evening was devoted to a musicale in which Miss May McReynolds, the soprano, and Mr. J. H. Stubbs, the tenor, of the St. James Episcopal choir of Brooklyn, rendered vocal solos and duetts that were justly commended by sincere applause and deserved encores. Miss McReynolds, especially, sang with much expression and correctness; and both she and Mr. Stubbs proved the possession of pure and pleasant voices. Mr. R. Fletcher Tilton, the organist of the same church, was a large part of this first part of the programme. Besides a piano selection that displayed his skill on the instrument, he gave imitations of the operatic efforts of soprano, tenor and bass Italians. If he would have consented, Mr. Tilton might have spent the evening replying to enthusiastic recalls with proofs of his versatility.

Maj. Anderson Post Election of Officers.

A regular encampment of Major Anderson Post, No. 109, G. A. R. of this city was held in the Post room, K. of P. Hall on East Front street, last evening, with Commander Nelson Runyon in the chair. All the other officers were present. When the Post was first organized, a few months ago, officers were elected to serve for the remainder of the year. According to Department by-laws each Post must elect officers yearly on the first meeting night of the Post in December, and the following were chosen last night to serve the Post for the ensuing year:

Commander—Nelson Runyon,

Senior Vice-Commander—Elmore D. Moffett.

Junior Vice-Commander—J. B. Clarkson.

Quarter-Master—Peter V. Weaver.

Chaplain—T. R. Crossley.

Officer-of-the-day—D. R. Weaver.

Officer-of-the-Guard—J. N. Andrews.

Sergeant—Dr. A. S. Titsworth.

Trustees—J. B. Clarkson, Charles Randolph, James H. House.

Considerable other business was transacted, which is only of importance to members of the Post.

An Illustrated Address.

At the Congregational church, Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock, Mr. G. W. Leitch will deliver an illustrated address on the life, habits and religion of the Hindoos of India and Ceylon. Seventy-five photographs, taken in the country, will be brought out, about sixteen feet square, by the oxy-hydrogen stereopticon, These photographs were procured especially for these lectures by the Misses Leitch, who are now Missionaries in Ceylon. The views will be accompanied by short, pointed descriptions by Mr. Leitch, who has been for several years engaged in Mission work in Ceylon.

Entertainment at Reform Hall.

The announcement of a free entertainment to be given by the Reform Club last evening, not only filled the auditorium, but also the galleries with an interested and appreciative audience. The platform was tastefully decorated with flowers, giving it a home-like and cheerful appearance, and the entire entertainment was universally considered a grand success, reflecting great credit alike on the club and on the performers. The willingness of the latter to assist was very gratifying and called forth sincere thanks from all. Miss Alice Smith, who was the pianist, opened the entertainment with a pretty piano solo, and afterward, by special request, played another solo which was so brilliant and so well executed that she received a deserved encore, which was also finely rendered. Mr. A. Gavett gave two solos in his usually fine style. Grace and Elmer Van Aken gave "My Father's a Drunkard" in a very touching way, and Mr. Levere delighted the audience with a cornet solo, which was encored, and "Yankee Doodle" was rendered. Mrs. Stewart sang two solos and they were exceedingly sweet and pleasing. Her enunciation was distinct, her tones full and clear, and the high notes as charming as a silver bell. There was much regret that she was unable to give a third solo, as many admirers would have been delighted with another piece. The recitations by Mr. Walter McGee were capital and called forth a storm of applause. The first piece "That boy of mine" was so warmly received that he came back and read an exceedingly funny Irish letter, that set the audience in a roar of laughter. The second recitation, "Coney Island Down the Bay," was also highly amusing. Messrs. Barnes and Elmer Runyon closed the evening's exercises with a splendid duett that greatly pleased every one. We append the programme:

Piano solo	Miss Smith.
Vocal solo	Mr. Gavett.
Reading	Mr. W. Mc Gee.
Vocal sole	Mrs. S. Stewart.
Cornet solo	Benj. Levere.
Singing	Van Aken Children.
Reading	Mr. W. Mc Gee
Piano solo	Miss Smith.
Vocal solo	Mrs. S. Stewart.
Vocal solo	Mr. Gavett.
Vocal duett	Messrs. Runyon and Barnes.

The Official Report.

At the final meeting of the joint detail of the bazaar held by Winfield Scott Post Relief Corps No. 10, of this city, the treasurer's report was as follows:

Receipts of fair	$751.73
Disbursements	307.62
Net proceeds	$444.11

ROBERT WALKER, Treasurer.

—The notice has been issued that the Delaware and Raritan Canal will close to navigation at midnight on Monday, December 19, unless sooner closed by ice.

—The Plainfield Berean Bible Class by a unanimous vote, has sent its thanks to Mr. Geo. M. Stiles for the loan of his camp stools upon the occasion of its entertainment of Wednesday evening.

—The 112th Legislature of New Jersey will meet Tuesday, January 10th, 1888. The Senate will have twelve Republicans and nine Democrats; the House thirty-seven Republicans and twenty-three Democrats. Republican majority, fourteen; on joint ballot, seventeen,

—During the past year, six entirely new railroads have been established in New Jersey. They are; Macopin Railroad, the Middlesex Railway, the Morris County Railroad, the New Jersey Junction Railroad, the Roselle and South Plainfield Railroad and the Salem Branch Railway.

—The New Jersey State Board of Agriculture has received seventy-seven applications from foreign countries and experimental stations for copies of its last annual report. The requests came from Great Britain, British Guiana, Austro-Hungary, France, Italy, Russia, Canada, Germany, New Zealand, Sweden and Switzerland.

—The new railroad which is being erected between South Plainfield and Roselle, will be ten miles long and equipped with a double track. This is understood to be a Lehigh Valley project, and it is said that the latter road will make a contract with the Central of New Jersey for the New York City traffic which now goes over the Pennsylvania Railroad.

—A well-known resident in the Second ward went to the Electric Light station on Madison avenue, about 12 o'clock last evening, and attempted to wipe up the floor with some of the employees of the place. The man made himself obnoxious to those around him, and Officers Grant and McCue were called in to eject him. He was subsequently taken home in a hack.

—A committee from the Union and Somerset County Board of Freeholders met recently on the ground and accepted the new line bridge, twenty foot span, near Mr. A. M. Lates' residence. Mr. J. G. Todd was the builder, and the total cost of the structure was $237. Work on the new bridge at Seeley's Mill, near Scotch Plains, is not yet completed, the delay being occasioned in the shipment of iron which is to be used in its construction.

School Room Pleasantries.

[*Contributed.*]

If all the wit, humor, and mistakes of our Plainfield schools could be preserved, no doubt they would make the brightest page of the luminious four which THE PRESS daily sends to thousands of readers. Here are a few "caught on the fly."

Harry to Vice Principal: "Good morning Mr. Lewis, did you get that letter?"

V. P.—"What letter?"

Harry—"Letter go Gallagher!"

Some hours later.

V. P.—"Harry, did you find that river?"

Harry—"What river?"

V. P.—"River-ence for your elders!"

Teacher to class in Geography: "I want you all to bring a map-drawing of the British Isles to-morrow; I have delayed this work and expect you all to be prompt. Now when I say I want you all to bring a map to-morrow, what do I mean?"

"Business," quickly replied one of the boys.

Class in Geography: "What are the principal railroad lines called?"

Ans. "Trunk lines."

Q. "Why are they called trunk lines?"

Ans. "Because they carry so many trunks."

Class in History: "Who discovered the Pacific ocean?"

A. "Balboa."

Q. "How did he take possession?"

A. "By wading into the water with his naked sword in one hand and the banner of Castile in the other, he solemnly declared that the ocean and all the shores its waters might touch belonged to the crown of Spain forever."

Q. "Why did he take his naked sword?"

A. "Because he did not know what animal might be in the water."

"There seems to be too much *bustle* on the part of some of the boys," said the efficient and beloved principal, pointing to a particular section on the boys side. The signs of uproarious laughter among the boys and general titter of the girls failed to disconcert the well-balanced mind of the principal, for with scarcely a change of countenance she continued—"*confusion* I mean—bustle and *confusion*." Perfect order and close attention to duties almost immediately followed.

The Court Gave No Official Decision.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—I commend your enterprise in publishing two-thirds of a column, under four startling head lines, concerning a little case that took about half an hour to try and resulted in setting aside a fine of ten dollars. I understand that there was a great and glorious principle involved, etc. I noticed that none of the staff of your paper was in court. It follows that your article emanated from a special correspondent.

Your correspondent's statement that "it was held that the City ordinance, so far as it prohibited a disposal other than a sale of such liquor, was inoperative and void, as being in excess of the power delegated to the Common Council by the Legislature," is untrue. The Court did not even *refer* to the ordinance, much less did it declare to be inoperative and void. The Union Court of Common Pleas has never undertaken to declare void an ordinance duly adopted by the Common Council. The Court has always properly held that such declaration should not be made this side of the Supreme Court.

Neither is it true, as suggested by your correspondent, that the City will be hindered, by reason of this case, in enforcing the City ordinance. It is preposterous for him to say so. The Court set aside the judgment of ten dollars against Mr. Blimm expressly on the ground that the evidence was not sufficient to prove the case. All the City requires is proof that the ordinance has been violated. In the Blimm case, the court said we lacked proof. After so deciding there was an informal conversation between the Court and counsel, but what was then said was no part of the case and cannot be cited as the decision of any Court.

Every honest proprietor of hotel or saloon is just as desirous of preventing the disposal of liquor in a bar-room during prohibited hours, whether for cash, "fear, favor or affection, reward, gain or the hope thereof," as are the City authorities, and all good citizens will be glad to learn that you were misled by your correspondent, and to know that the Court has not declared the ordinance in question inoperative or void in any part.

CRAIG A. MARSH.

—If you have a kicking horse, an effective way to break him of the dangerous habit is according to the following prescription which is warmly indorsed by an exchange: Put the horse in a narrow stall that has both sides thickly padded. Suspend a sack filled with hay or straw so that it will strike his heels, and let the horse and sack fight it out. Be sure to have things arranged so that the horse cannot hurt himself. The sack will be victorious every time, and in the end the horse will absolutely refuse to kick the sack or anything else.

CHICAGO AGAIN SELECTED

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION TO BE HELD THERE.

June 19, 1888 the Date Fixed--Several Cities Strive for the Honor--Work of the National Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The republican national covention of 1888 will be held at Chicago, June 19.

The national committee met at the Arlington hotel yesterday morning, but after being called to order and settling the matter of proxies, adjourned to the club house of the republican national league, where its labors were perfected.

Every state and territory was represented. The claims of the various cities for the location of the convention and the promises were presented by delegations with the usual spread eagle oratory. Ex-Secretary William H. Windom spoke for Minneapolis and presented documents guaranteeing no expenses to the committee and free transportation to delegates.

Ex-Senator J. B. Henderson spoke for St. Louis and made similar promises, being followed by Hon. W. Morehead.

Mayor Roach of Chicago spoke for the Lake City, and presented a paper signed by the hotel keepers agreeing not to raise their rates. The Chicagoan also promised to defray all the expenses of the convention and the national committee.

Senator Manderson, of Nebraska, presented the pledge of Omaha citizens to spend $60,000 in entertaining the convention. Then Ben Butterworth made a rattling speech for Cincinnati, which Murat Halstead seconded. They agreed not to turn out the gas again. Congressman H. H. Bingham gave Philadelphia a strong presentation. Ex-Governor Mellette and Colonel W. C. Plummer, in speeches which abounded with the sufferings and wrongs of Dakota, which they depicted as the equal of bleeding Kansas, asked that the convention be called near them, at Minneapolis.

There were three ballots, the first being an informal one. Cincinnati was weak, because of the impression that calling the the convention there would be held up to country as a Sherman boom. Philadelphia was the original choice of Mr. Blaine's eastern friends, but the demands of the northwest caused them to compromise on Chicago. The three ballots were as follows:

	First.	Second.	Third.
Chicago	11	22	25
St. Louis	2	1	—
Omaha	10	4	1
Minneapolis	6	8	8
Philadelphia	9	3	—
Washington	1	—	—
Cincinnati	8	9	13

June 19 was selected as the day of assembly, on motion of Mr. Rollins of New Hampshire and the chairman was authorized to appoint a committee of seven, with himself and the secretary, to make all arrangements for the convention.

The Dakota matter came before the committee a second time in the form of a resolution offered by Committeeman Dennet of that territory, asking that they be empowered to send six delegates to the convention, and thus recognize her claims to statehood. The committee decided to recommend that the national convention admit four delegates at large, besides the regular delegates from both Dakota and Washington territories. The method of electing delegates from the District of Columbia was prescribed to by a convention to be held by the republican committee of the district, and the chairman and secretary were authorized to prepare and issue the call for the convention.

The republican national league of this city was authorized to act as an auxiliary of the national committee for operation in the southern states.

SEC. ENDICOTT'S REPORT.

The War Depatment is in Need of Plenty of Money.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Secretary of War Endicott's report was made public yesterday. The payments for the department for the year ended June 30, 1887 were $41,386,165.13; the appropriations for the year ending June 30, 1888 were $31,055,302.35, and the estimate for the year ending June 30, 1889, are $53,337,710.24. The last named item includes an appropriation for public works, among them rivers and harbors, of $22,339,358.31. The army numbers 2,200 officers and 24,236 enlisted men. The secretary recommends an appropriation of $5,234,000 for harbor defence, chiefly at Portland, Boston, Narragansett Bay, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Hampton roads, Washington, New Orleans and San Francisco. An appropriation of $1,500,000 for modern guns is recommended. The secretary recommends the appointment of assistant secretary of war and an assistant attorney-general, to advise and assist in the legal and technical questions daily arising in the department.

Death of the Slayer of Capt. W. W. Hall.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 9.—Mrs. Rebecca Hall, wife of the late Capt. W. W. Hall, of the United States service, died here yesterday. She was noted principally as the murderer of her husband, whom she shot in Chicago on the night of June 26, 1886, killing him instantly. She claimed to have shot him in self-defense and was acquitted. Capt. Hall met his wife in a disreputable house and a stormy connubial life followed the marriage.

Mexico Wants a Large Loan.

CITY OF MEXICO, via Galveston, Dec. 9.—A bill was introduced in congress yesterday to permit the government to contract a loan of £10,000,000. It is believed that this is the beginning of a scheme to fund the existing national debt in such a manner as will reduce the burdens of government, and that behind it is a group of English and French bankers who regard the loan as entirely feasible.

No Carnival This Year.

MONTREAL, Dec. 9.—At a meeting of the house committee of the Windsor hotel today it was agreed that it was now too late to get up a carnival this year. A large number of names were spoken of in connection with the new management of the hotel. Mr. Southgate of New York, and formerly of the Windsor, offers to take the hotel off the hands of the committee.

Increased the Stakes.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 9.—The Louisville Jockey club has added money to the important stakes to be run for at the spring meeting in 1888, in some instances doubling the amounts heretofore hung up. To ten stakes to be run for at this meeting $13,500 is added.

Suicide of An Anarchist.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Christian Denning, a well-known anarchist, who has been grieving over the death of Spies and his fellow-revolutionists, has committed suicide by hanging.

Geo. E. McNeill for Mayor of Boston.

BOSTON, Dec. 9.—George E. McNeill was last night nominated for mayor on as labor ticket.

CHAMBERLAIN DENOUNCED.

Buffalo Irishmen Hold a Meeting and Adopt Resolutions.

BUFFALO, Dec. 9.—The presence in this country of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the fishery commissioner, has stirred up the Irishmen in Buffalo. A meeting of nearly a hundred Irishmen, including men who served in the Irish army in the Ridgeway raid, was held last night at John Nelson's hall, at Massachusetts street and Prospect avenue. No announcement of the meeting was made in the newspapers, and an unsuccessful effort was made to keep it secret. The Hon. Thomas B. O'Brien, who rode in Hamilton in the carriage with Editor O'Brien when the shots were fired, was the chairman, and James P. McMahon, who was also an O'Brien defender at Hamilton, was the secretary. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, Joseph Chamberlain, who is a strong opponent of home rule in Ireland, is now in this country, and so distrusts the government that he has with him paid hirelings as detectives to protect him from no real danger, thereby casting reflections on our form of government with the idea of reflecting on such a form of government as Ireland wants; therefore,

Resolved, That the Irishmen of Buffalo, in meeting assembled, repudiate any movement that may be made toward entertaining Chamberlain, who is chiefly responsible for the defeat of home rule, and the passage of the despotic coercion laws now existing, whereby Editor O'Brien and Lord Mayor Sullivan and other patriots are immured in Tullamore dungeons.

Will Sue For Overcharge.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 9.—The papers are preparing in a big suit to be brought against the Pennsylvania railroad company by Holdship & Irwin, the oil refiners of this city. The search for evidence has brought out some sensational facts about freight discriminations. Although the litigation about to be begun is only in the interest of the firm mentioned, several of the largest oil refining concerns in the country are involved in the question to be raised. Holdship & Irwin will sue the railroad to recover $114,000, and to aid in proving the validity of their claim they will show, it is said, how the railroad company has quietly settled seven similar claims within the last six months or a year for something like $100,000 or more.

A Veteran Reunion.

BUFFALO, Dec. 9.—At the twenty-sixth annual reunion of the survivors of the Tenth New York cavalry held yesterday, these officers were elected: President, Lieutenant A. E. Hayes, of Brooklyn; first vice president, Major G. W. Kennedy, of Fabune; second vice president, Captain A. T. Bliss, of Saginaw, Mich.; corresponding secretary, Lieutenant Mark Brownell, of Cortland; recording secretary, C. W. Wiles, of Cortland; treasurer, Major L. L. Barney, of Elmira; sergeant-at-arms, C. P. Norton, of Apulia; color bearer, W. A. Morgan, of Apulia.

More Trouble for Major Way.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Dec. 9.—There is another charge against Major Way. Thomas McLoughlin went before Judge Scudder yesterday in the county courts and stated that Major Way had forged the name of Mrs. McLoughlin to the cancellation of ten shares of Empire building loan stock in 1885, and had obtained $1,560 on it from Lewis R. Dunham, treasurer of the loan. Mrs. McLoughlan will go before the grand jury to-day.

Defaulter Way in Jail.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Dec. 9.—The bondsmen of defaulter Way learned yesterday that he was making preparations that looked suspiciously like another movement to leave town, and they hastened to surrender him. It is stated that the grand jury has indicted Way, and this was confirmed by the action of the prosecutor in doubling the bail.

Dynamite on a Jersey Church Step.

NEWARK, Dec. 9.—Quite a little stir was created in the little village of Irvington yesterday by the discovery of a dynamite bomb on the steps of the Reformed church. The fuse had been ignited but from some cause the fire had been extinguished before it had reached the explosive.

Fire in Great Bend.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 9.—Fire broke out in Great Bend village, Pa., late last night and spread rapidly. It raged in the business portion of the village. The village officials telegraphed to this city for assistance and the fire department responded.

Strikers Return to Work.

DAYTON, Ohio, Dec. 9.—Work in all the railway yards was resumed at noon to-day. The striking switchmen returned to work at the former wages excepting the pony conductors who are given a slight advance in pay.

Typhoid Fever at Williams College.

PITTSFIELD, Mass. Dec. 9.—It is reported that a disease resembling typhoid fever has broken out in the dormitory known as College hall, at Williams college, occupied by forty or more students.

A Murderer's Fourth Respite.

WILMINGTON, Dec. 9.—Gov. Biggs has respited Jeremiah Harrigan, whose last respite would have expired to-day, to the last Friday in March, 1891.

Pittsburg's Epidemic of Typhoid.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 9.—The typhoid fever epidemic continues to spread. One physician has from 125 to 150 patients under treatment.

Arch Abbott Wimmer Dead.

ST. VINCENT COLLEGE, Pa., Dec. 9.—Arch Abbott Boniface Wimmer died yesterday morning.

Sporting Notes.

William Bolac is willing to back Tage Cronin to wrestle any 145-pound man in America colar and elbow fashion, from $100 to $200 a side.

George Littlewood, the winner of the six-day-go-as-you-please match in Philadelphia, sails for his home in England on Saturday.

Richard K. Fox, the backer of Jake Kilrain, has had his colors made in this country and has presented many of his friends with specimens of them.

Shorty Conners of New York and Jimmy Russell of Yonkers, lightweights, are matched to fight at 135 pounds for $200 a side, with hard gloves, about the 29th of this month.

Evan Lewis, the strangler, and Tom Connors last night signed articles for a catch-as-catch-can wrestling match, best three falls in five, for $250 a side. The match will take place in Battery D in Chicago on the night of the 19th inst.

Two thousand people witnessed a closely contested game between the St. Louis Browns and the Chicago clubs in San Francisco Wednesday afternoon. The game was one of the prettiest, the score being tied in the first and seventh innings. St. Louis winning by a score of 8 to 7.

ONE YEAR FOR HERR MOST

THE FIERY ANARCHIST SENTENCED YESTERDAY.

He Makes a Speech in Court Instructing the Judge as to the Course He, the Judge, Should Pursue.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Herr Most was yesterday in General Sessions sentenced to one years' imprisonment in the penitentiary A stay of proceedings pending an appeal to the general term was granted.

Most was taken to court from the Tombs in the Black Maria with a lot of other prisoners.

Judge Cowing, after listening to the arguments of Most's attorney, Mr. Howe, said that he had thought over the case carefully, and was averse to interferring with the verdict. At this Most, who had been leaning forward to catch every word, collapsed completely. His face grew whiter as he shrunk down in his chair, his head bent forward in evident despair. Judge Cowing added that Most had had as fair a trial as any man ever had in that court, but as there has been "some nice questions" brought up, and in order that Most should have "all the rights that the richest capitalist in this country could have," the judge said he would grant a stay of proceedings until the case had been heard by the general term.

Most's face brightened perceptibly at this, and as he then stood up to receive sentence, and was asked what he had to say for himself, he made this speech to the judge:

YOUR HONOR—From a legal poin of vlew it may appear very difficult to stay a sentence when the jury has rendered their verdict. But there are certain occasions whe the court should and must rise superior to to a jury finding. No independent judge will, for instance, pronounce capital punishment upon a man of whose innocence he is morally convinced no matter what verdict the jury has entered. In the present case the issue is surely not one of life and death to my person, but the issue is a far broader and deeper one. Therefore, with all respect to your Honor, I consider it my duty, in reply to your question "Why sentence should not be pronounced upon John Most," to state that it is in your province to-day to decide whether free speech and lawful assemblage should be destroyed in this country. The sentence which your Honor is about to pronounce will be engrafted upon the history of the United States. Punishment inflicted upon an innocent man and brought about by prejudice and perjury is rather an honor than a shame to the sufferer, one who suffers for his opinion's sake. I again protest my innocence of the offense for which I stand convicted, and appeal to your honor to make use of such discretion as lies within your power

The court room was very still as he made his appeal in a trembling voice, and many people were visibly affected. Judge Cowing then passed sentence. Here are some of the things he said:

I feel very sure that if you are candid you will acknowledge that you have had a perfectly fair trial. Virtually I have given you a new trial in one sense. Say what you choose of the courts of this state, I think they are actuated to do justice.

Most, in your case the great trouble is that your tongue and your pen have constantly brought you into difficulty both here and in other countries. So much so here, that I apprehend you have arrayed the great mass of the American people against you. You have yourself made the American people think you an enemy of their government. American people love their government. Those who come to distrust it are foreigners. Only a few days ago I had fifteen men here who had boycotted a poor woman because she wanted to earn her bread. They were all foreigners and had been here but a few months.

Most, I don't know what political philosophy you believe in, but I do say that law and order are a necessity to the human family. There must be a government. All happiness comes from obedience to law. Now, if you can only come here and try to spread the seeds of content, rather than discontent, to do good to others, publish your paper to this end and see if you can't come here and enjoy this "free speech." You havn't got long to live, and you certainly gain nothing by going out of existence with such principles as you advocate.

Most will probably be out on bail to-day.

THE CARNEY-M'AULIFFE DRAMA

Both Sides Have a Controversy and Decide to Withdraw the Money.

BOSTON, Dec. 9.—The difficulty is settled, and within twenty-four hours the money now up in the hands of the stakeholder in the Carney-McAuliffe fight will be returned to the respective backers, and thus will end the greatest fighting drama on record.

Three days ago Patsy Sheppard, on behalf of Jem Carney, and Jimmy Colville, on behalf of McAuliffe, came together and discussed matters. After a long conversation, Mr. Colville agreed to draw McAuliffe's share of the stake money if the Carney people would agree to do likewise. McAuliffe was ready to go into the ring and fight at any time, but some of his backers were not ready to let him do so, as they did not consider him a well man.

Mr. Sheppard said he would consult with the Carney backers and get their view on the matter. He did so, the result being that Carney's backers were willing to draw, as there was no prospect for an immediate battle.

Returned to the Knights.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 9.—George Harris, who has been president of the Amalgamated Association of Miners and Mine Laborers of Pennsylvania for a number of years, and has at times been engaged in a fight against the Knights of Labor, has made a change of base, and one that will doubtless startle the miners of the state at least, those who are members of the old association. Mr. Harris has connected himself with National District 135, Knights of Labor, composed exclusively of miners, and will at once enter the field as an organizer for the Knights of Labor.

Took the White Veil.

BORDENTOWN, N. J., Dec. 9.—At St. Joseph's convent yesterday, the white veil was taken by Misses Mary Scully of South Amboy, Mary Cahill of Jersey City, Mary Doyle of Burlington, Mary Howe of South Amboy, and Mary Carlton of Bordentown, Margaret Connell of Camden, and Bridget Flynn of Ireland.

Discharged for Neglect of Duty.

CAPE MAY, Dec. 9.—The trouble in life saving station No. 35, Tattam beach, has culminated in the dismissal from the service of Capt. Richard C. Holmes for neglect of duty and of Samuel E. Douglas for using disrespectful language about President Cleveland.

Senate and House Adjourn Until Monday.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9—After the transaction of some minor business yesterday morning, both senate and house adjourned until Monday.

An Indian Agent Resigns.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Henry E. Williamson, the Indian agent at the Crow agency in Montana, has resigned.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 9, 1887.

Atkinson, Miss M A	Mullins, Miss Annie (2)
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Buckler James	Randolph, Mrs Jessie
Combes, Mrs H G	Rionce, Mrs Jane
Drake, A M	Robson, Miss Lucy
Euler, Mr F	Shultice, Mr Wm
Flagg, Miss Emily L	Scott, Mrs M J A
Felker, Miss Rebecca	Stansberry, Mrs Maria
Gardner, Peter	Scribner, Mrs Katie
Herenden, Mrs Ida (2)	Taylor, Jennie
Jackson, Miss Alice B	Thompson, Miss M H
Lane, Mrs Annie	Thompson, Miss May
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DEATHS.

MCCLAIN—At the residence of his son-in-law, John H Angleman on Dec. 7, 1887, Mr. Thomas McClain, aged 76 years, 5 months, 13 days. Funeral services at the house on Saturday at 2 o'clock p. m.

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WORK AND WORKERS.

WELLSBURG, W. Va., has six glass factories.

A COTTON mill, the first in the State, is about to be established at Topeka, Kan.

BRILLIANT (O.) glass-houses are making pretty fair shipments and are pushing ahead.

THERE are fewer labor agitations in progress now than there have been for two years past.

THE steel rail manufacturers will hold a meeting shortly to decide upon the tonnage for the coming year.

THE Carnegies will erect 150 ovens at Scott Haven, Pa., to use the stock and refuse from the Scott mines.

A COMPANY composed of Ashland (Ky.) capitalists has been organized to erect a large stove foundry at that place.

THE factory for the manufacture of the Grand Army button patented by Dr. Radzinsky will be located at McKeesport, Pa.

PARTIES have been corresponding with the mayor of Dallas, Tex., in regard to the establishment of a rolling-mill and shot tower.

THE Plasterers' National Union during the past year has increased its membership more than any other National trades union in proportion to its size.

IT is estimated that discoveries, inventions and compounds patented each year in the United States and never amounting to any thing cost 3,000,000.

THE St. Charles Car Co., St. Louis, have closed a contract with the Mexican Central railroad for 250 box cars. The company has contracts sufficient for all winter.

WORK has been commenced on the foundation of the new rail mill to be erected at Jackson, Mich. The building is to be 330x110 feet, brick walls and metal roof.

IN Findlay, O., Hirsch, Eley & Co., have just started the sixth glass works in that town, giving employment to 125 men. Glassmaking is fast becoming the leading industry of Findlay.

THE Great Baltimore anthracite vein has been struck at a depth of 1,080 feet at South Wilkesbarre, Pa. The cost of finding this vein was $80,000 and four years of time was expended. The value of the strike to the Lehigh & Wilkesbarre Co. is placed at $4,000,000.

A PITTSBURGH firm is making a shipment of fire brick to the Puget Sound Iron Company, at Irondale, Jefferson County, Washington Territory, for relining a blast furnace fifty feet high. The ores for this furnace are from Washington Territory and British Columbia mines.

UNION No. 56, Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of Los Angeles, Cal., send a circular to carpenters and other mechanics warning them that of the numerous methods adopted to boom the Pacific coast there are none so injurious to the working-men as the exaggerated reports of a scarcity of labor and high wages.

A SYNDICATE of Eastern men has been looking for a site at Christy Park, in the gas region, near McKeesport, Pa., for the purpose of building an immense steel tubular car works and railroad supply manufactory. The specialty will be railroad supplies, freight and passenger cars, and from 1,000 to 2,000 men will be employed.

THE Star Fire-Brick Company, Pittsburgh, is filling an order for about 50,000 fire-brick for a new iron syndicate in Mexico. These bricks will have to be hauled 100 miles in wagons from the nearest railroad point, and it will cost $250 per 1,000 to take them from here to where they are to be used to build a new charcoal blast furnace with a capacity of about fifteen tons a day. It is said that this furnace will be further from a railroad center than any other blast furnace in the world.

A SARDINE CAVERN.

Discovery of a Cave Filled with Oil and Containing Lots of Little Fish.

A few weeks ago this community was excited over the discovery of natural gas on the farm of A. G. Hazard, a few miles from this city, writes an Albert Lea (Minn.) correspondent of the Indianapolis *Journal*. The other day another discovery was made in the same neighborhood, which is more wonderful, if not more important. The first intimation of gaseous deposits was the oil that covered a small stream flowing through Mr. Hazard's farm. The same phenomenon had been visible for a number of years.

The other morning while two men in the employe of Mr. Hazard were digging at the base of a small hill whence this stream flowed, they noticed a sudden increase in the oily deposit. They dug into what seemed to be a natural basin in the cleft formed by two large rocks. The excavation made was rapidly filled with a thin, yellowish oil, and after the hole had been cleared of debris it filled quite rapidly with oil which spouted in thin jets from the sides of the basin. A blast was necessary for further developments. This made an opening two feet wide in the side of the basin, showing a large cavernous hole, from which proceeded a strong smell of oil. It was some time before the men dared to enter, being afraid of an explosion, but a safety lamp was procured from an old coal miner, who also volunteered to explore. He was gone but a few minutes when he returned and called for a pail. This was furnished and he re-entered the cavern. When he came out he had the pail full of the thin, yellowish oil, which, free from dirt, was clear and translucid.

But a graver surprise was at hand. There appeared to be something living in the oil. Closer examination showed that there were at least fifty small fish swimming about in the oil as lively and unconcerned apparently as a speckled trout in his native stream. The fish averaged from an inch to two inches long. They were of a bright yellow color and without scales. They resembled the fish of the river in Mammoth Cave in that they had no eyes. In all other respects save those mentioned they were like the common minnow. Several pounds of this wonderful variety of the finny tribe were taken out. An old Frenchman, who was once engaged in the sardine fisheries off the coast of France, prepared some of the fish for the table, and declared them to be equal to the best sardines. Several scientific gentlemen are now analyzing and experimenting with the oil, with a view of ascertaining its value.

A Point on Elections.

Mr. Eaton and Mr. Wimmer were rival candidates for election to office. There were in all 340 votes cast, of which Mr. Eaton received 249. The rest were cast for Wimmer, but when they were counted 170 ballots bore the name of F. Wimmer and the rest the name of E. Wimmer, and thereupon Mr. Eaton seized the office, and Wimmer, who felt assured that he was a heaven-born statesman, was sent to the courts to prove his rights to the office. Mr. Wimmer won. Where there can be no doubt as to the intention of the elector his vote will not be cast out because there is some irregularity about it. In this case there was no question in the mind of the court that E. Wimmer and F. Wimmer were the same person, and he was therefore given the office. If in this case there had been two Wimmers running or if the votes had wholly failed to express the voters' meaning, it would have been otherwise,

CONTINENTAL WAR SCARE

AUSTRIA CAUTIOUS BUT MAKING PREPARATIONS.

A List of Those Who Will Probably Compose the New French Ministry--Harrington Will Go to Jail.

PESTH, Dec. 9.—The situation arising from the re-enforcement of Russian troops in Poland is not regarded as portending immediate danger. Nothing will be done now beyond the sending of a warning to Russia that Austria is watchful, and will not leave unanswered any further military measures that Russia may take.

It is expected that Austria will grant to Russia a brief delay for furnishing a spontaneous explanation of the massing of her troops. Meanwhile the Austrian preparations will quietly continue.

The Emperor presided yesterday at a military council. Count Kalnoky, the imperial prime minister, was also present. It was decided not to summon the delegations for the present, as Russia has apparently stopped her menacing movements. Measures for the mobilization of troops were arranged which will be immediately adopted, should Russia continue massing troops on the frontier. The public is not unduly excited.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 9.—Well-informed persons assert that the Russian government's intentions are entirely pacific, and that public opinion in Russia is also in favor of peace. The predictions of an approaching conflict between Russia and Austria are the more unjustifiable after the recent imperial meeting at Berlin, as the *rapprochement* then effected, can but contribute to general peace by involving Austria in a similar pacific development.

THE FRENCH CABINET.

A List of Those Who Will Probably Compose the French Ministry.

PARIS, Dec. 9.—It is reported that the cabinet will be composed as follows:

M. Goblet, President of the Council and Minister of the Interior.
M. Ribot, Minister of Justice.
Mr. Flourens, Minister of Foreign Affairs.
M. Ricard, Minister of Education.
M. Loubet, Minister of Agriculture.
M. Menard-Dorian, Minister of Public Works.
M. Clamagerau, Minister of Finance.
M. Siegfried, Minister of Commerce.
M. Bourgeois, Minister of Marine.
Gen. Fevrier or Gen. Thomassin, Minister of War.

M. Goblet has been foiled by the refusal of M. Ribot to remain in a cabinet in which two portfolios are given to members of the extreme left, M. Sigismond Lacroix and M. Manard Dorian. A prolonged conference was held between President Carnot and MM. Goblet and Ribot, the president supporting M. Goblet, but no agreement was arrived at. It is not probable that the official announcement of the composition of the cabinet will be published until Saturday.

Harrington To Go to Jail.

DUBLIN, Dec. 9.—Mr. Edward Harrington, M. P., was tried in the Tralee court yesterday, on the charge of publishing in his paper, the *Sentinel*, reports of meetings of suppressed branches of the National league. Mr. Harrington was found guilty and sentenced to a month's imprisonment, but without hard labor. Notice was given of an appeal from the sentence.

Doherty Charged With Murder.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Daniel Doherty, of New York, the sporting man who shot George M. Graham, of Norchester, New York, after a dispute over a gambling debt, was arraigned in court and charged with murder. It is alleged that Doherty lost at cards, and that Graham demanded payment. Doherty then retired, but returned armed with a revolver, and shot Graham.

The Crown Prince.

SAN REMO, Dec. 9.—The crown prince rode yesterday morning to Madonna della Guardia. In the afternoon he visited his son, Prince Henry, at the Hotel Mediterranee. He looks well. Hing Humbert has placed a steam launch at his disposal.

Mr. McLane Visits President Carnot.

PARIS, Dec. 9.—Minister McLane paid a visit yesterday to President Carnot. Mr. McLane reminded the president that Mr. Monroe was American minister to France in 1794, and was on terms of friendship with the great Lazare Carnot.

On a Bread and Water Diet.

DUBLIN, Dec. 9.—Mr. Mandeville, who is a prisoner in Tullamore jail, has been subjected to a bread and water diet for forty-eight hours for refusing to clean his cell.

A NOVEL INVENTION.

An Electrical Fence That Will Keep Cattle Away From It.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Gen. Martin Beem, as attorney for a Chicago firm, yesterday completed a contract to apply a patent which possesses many elements of novelty to the barb-wire fence of X. I. T. cattle company in the Pan Handle Texas. The patent is a process by which a constant current of electricty is passed either through barb-wire or through a plain, galvanized wire. The first contact is enough to prove to any animal that the fence is loaded. At present a barb-wire fence surrounds the range in question, and the current will be passed through the top wire. Telephonic communication can also be made from any point to headquarters by attaching a ground wire and a small telephone, one of which will be carried by each cowboy. Any break in the fence will also be noted at headquarters by the ringing of a bell. The range is that received by Senator Farwell, his brother, J. V. Farwell, and Abner Taylor for building the Texas state house. The company owns the 120,000 cattle enclosed in this vast range.

A Great Strike of Shoemakers.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 9.—On December 1st Hannah Powderly Assembly, K. of L., numbering 1,000 women members, wrote to the Shoe Manufacturers' association, demanding the reinstatement of certain discharged employes. Yesterday a reply was received, in which the association declines to recognize or treat with the assembly. There is every probability that the strike will affect every large shoe factory in the city, and throw over 2,000 people out of work.

The Norwegian Bark Sebulon Wrecked.

KEY WEST, Dec. 9.—The Norwegian bark Sebulon, from Minatillan for Queenstown for orders, laden with mahogany, lost on the Tortugas November 30. Her crew was brought here yesterday by wreckers.

A Failure With $30,000 Liabilities.

ADRIAN, Minn., Dec. 9.—James Kilpatrick has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors. His liabilites are $30,000 and his nominal assets $40,000.

BIG SOCIAL SENSATION.

Papers Filed in a Divorce Suit in Chicago Involving Millionaires.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The biggest social sensation that ever stirred Chicago will burst on the town to-day, when it will be known that James D. Carson, the millionaire president of the Chicago and Western Indiana railroad, has been sued by his wife, Mary Oakley Carson, for divorce on the ground of infidelity and inhuman cruelty. The papers in the case were filed late yesterday afternoon, and withdrawn immediately for service in order to keep the matter a secret. The parties to the suit are of the first social magnitude. Mr. Carson is the owner of the Columbia theatre, president of the belt line railroad and owner of some of the most valuable real estate in Chicago. His father is also a millionaire and president of the Louisville, New Albony and Chicago and of the Chicago, Alton and St. Louis railroad. He is one of the oldest and best known citizens of Chicago, and his name is familiar in railroad circles all over the country.

The wife of James D. Carson is a daughter of James W. Oakley, of the big tannery firm of Walker, Oakley & Co. He is the third millionaire who is concerned in the case, and his residence on Drexel boulevard, from which his daughter was married, is considered the handsomest in the fashionable quarter of the city. The marriage took place six years ago and was the social event of the season. Young Mr. Carson and his wife went to live in his beautiful mansion on Calumet avenue.

Mrs. Carson's bill specifies acts of infidelity at various notorious resorts in the worst part of Chicago and at a similar place in Kansas City. Mr. Carson was seen at the Columbia theatre last evening, but declined to say anything more about the matter than that the whole story would come out in the courts. He is a member of the Calumet club, the most fashionable organization in Chicago. He is only thirty-two years old, very handsome and an acknowledged social leader. Mrs. Carson is a beautiful woman. She was educated abroad.

Suicide of a Rejected Lover.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 9.—Mary Leshowoski is the daughter of a rich polish liquor seller in Plymouth. She was courted by a poor polish miner, Michael Bolinski. The girl was willing to marry her lover, but her parents forbade it on the ground that Bolinski was too poor. When Bolinski called at the Leshowoski homestead last night, his sweetheart told him that she could not marry him. "Then you shall not marry any body else," Bolinski said, and pulling a pistol from his pocket shot the girl through the hand. Thinking that he had killed her, he placed the pistol to his own head and shot himself dead.

For the Abolition of Internal Taxes.

RICHMOND, Dec. 9.—In the house of delegates yesterday a joint resolution was adopted, by a vote of 90 to 1, directing Virginia's senators and requesting her representatives in congress to use their best efforts to secure the repeal, at an early day, of the entire internal revenue system of taxation, and, failing in that, to secure, if possible, the repeal of so much of the system as imposes a tax on tobacco in any of its forms, and upon spirits distilled from fruits.

A Novel Operation.

BROADHEAD, Wis., Dec. 9.—A difficult operation has been performed on Peter Gilbertson, a wealthy farmer living south of here. He was dying with cancer in his stomach and had not taken food for twenty-four days. Drs. Connolly and Stein, of Milwaukee, cut open his side, then cut into his stomach and placed a silver tube running from the intestines to the stomach, so that food could be digested. At last accounts he was doing well.

Purchasing Coal By Force.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 9.—Farmers in western Kansas suffering from a coal famine last night attacked another coal train en route to Colorado, and filled their wagons. They left their names and money for what they took and told the train hands that the railroad company could arrest them if it chose. Some of the farmers live fifty and seventy-five miles from the railroad, and great suffering has been the result of the lack of fuel.

Blown Up With Dynamite.

BADDECK, C. B., Dec. 9.—Watson's photograph gallery was blown up with dynamite early yesterday morning, shattering glass and raising the roof several inches. The citizens extinguished the flames before serious damage resulted. Watson is local inspector of licenses, and his premises are in the heart of the town. Liquor sellers against whom he had taken action are charged with the crime.

Texas Brigands Captured.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 9.—After months of watching and pursuit, the ringleaders of the famous Brooking gang of thieves and train robbers have been captured and are now lodged in jail here. The robbers lived in canons and caves and were well organized. All the big ranchmen have suffered at their hands and in one case a whole herd of cattle were stolen in Green county.

The Defiant Anarchists.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—At the last meeting of joint committees it was determined that the entertainment for the benefit of the families of the executed anarchists, which was arranged for Saturday night, December 10, but abandoned on account of the refusal of the mayor to let them sell beer in battery D, will be held Sunday, December 11.

Powderly Suspends Two Assemblies.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The first act of retaliation or discipline against the rebellious knights of labor by Mr. Powderly became known yesterday. It was the suspension of local assemblies Nos. 1,307 and 2,029. The first-named was the first to secede from the knights and threw its influence in favor of the rebels.

The Big Strike in Havana.

HAVANA, Dec. 9. About 15,000 men are idle on account of the cigarmakers' strike. All efforts to effect an amicable settlement of the difficulty have proved fruitless. The object of the operatives seems to be to break the union of manufacturers.

Father Killed and Daughter Injured.

ASPHODEL, Ont., Dec. 9.—James Stephensou, of this place, and his daughter were thrown out of their carriage yesterday by a runaway horse, and Mr. Stephenson was killed, while the daugbter was seriously injured.

Another Fast Western Train.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The Rock Island railway has decided to put on fast trains, commencing December 18, between Chicago and Council Bluffs, making the distance east or west in eighteen hours.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.35, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.53, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9 29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6 05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3,51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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THE ACTION OF THE READING

Blocks the Business of the United States Express Company.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 9.—The United States Express company, which recently bought out the Baltimore and Ohio Express company, and which has been doing business at the Baltimore and Ohio's old office in this city, was yesteaday notified by the Reading railroad company that hereafter no more of their goods would be moved over the Reading lines between Philadelphia and New York. An officer of the Reading company says that when the Adams company leased the Reading Express company some time ago it continued operating it over the Reading's lines, and the Reading was in duty bound to protect its interests. When the United States Express company bought out the Baltimore and Ohio it was understood that only through traffic should be moved over the Reading lines, as that was the contract between the Baltimore and Ohio and Reading companies. When, however, the United States company began cutting into the Adams company's local trade here, the the latter called on the Reading company to protect their interests by refusing to carry the United States company's packages. This the Reading company did, and thereby blocks the United States company put of the local trade between this city and New York, as they cannot get the Pennsylvania railroad to carry their traffic.

A New Theatre For Boston.

BOSTON, Dec. 9.—It is announced that Messrs. Abbey and Schoeffel, the lessees of the Park theatre, contemplate building a new theatre in this city, to be occupied by them at the conclusion of their lease of the Park. The location, although not made public, is said to be central and admirably suited to the enterprise. The new theatre is intended to be larger than the Park and will be run as a first-class combination house.

The House Committee on Mileage.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The house committee on mileage was announced yesterday. It is: Mr. Rogers, of Arkansas; Mr Howard, of Indiana, Mr. Burnett, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Felton, of California.

Fatally Wounded.

SILVER CITY, N. M., Dec. 9.—James Mullen, an old miner and late candidate for governor of the territory, dropped a pistol yesterday, which was discharged, fatally wounding him.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

Lon Murray, who attempted to assault Miss Mary Sylvester, in Minneapolis, Minn., has been sentenced to ten years' imprisonment at hard labor.

Mr. Daniel Doherty, of Philadelphia, will deliver the annual address before the New York State Bar association in the senate chamber at Albany on January 17 next.

John Monson, conductor of a freight train on the New York and New Haven railroad, when near Milford yesterday, fell between two cars and was instantly killed.

Sir John Macdonald has been sustained as member of parliament for Kingston, Ontario. Charges of corruption and bribery for which the premier's party was on trial have been abandoned.

Mr. William E. Stoney, comptroller general of South Carolina, has resigned his political office to accept the auditorship of the South Carolina railway company. He has been comptroller for seven years.

The United States grand jury in San Francisco has indicted twenty-four of the members of the alleged California survey ring for conspiracy to defraud the government of public lands through fraudulent surveys.

On Wednesday Lawrence Boyan assumed control of the Mountain house, Sparkill, N. Y. In the evening he gave a ball. At two o'clock yesterday morning the hotel was destroyed by fire. Loss about $6,000, partly insured.

Pink McCarver, democratic nominee for the mayorality of Nashville, Tenn., was elected over John J. Littleton, republican nominee, by 367 votes, despite the fact that Weakley, independent democratic candidate, received 1,387 votes.

Amos McCampbell & Co., brokers and dealers on margins, Louisville, Ky., failed yesterday. Assets, nothing; liabilities $25,000, exclusive of charges against the firm's branches in St. Paul, Minneapolis, New Orleans, Mobile and Montgomery.

Miss Catharine Gee was bitten by the same dog whose bite caused the death in Waverly, Ohio, of Mr. Detrich a few days ago. Miss Gee's wound was on the arm and soon healed, but on Friday last the sore re-opened, the patient became averse to water and is rapidly showing signs of hydrophobia. Why the dog has not been killed is a mystery.

Conflicting reports have been received here of the railway collision at Percival, Iowa, on Wednesday. The Kansas City and Council Bluffs passenger train was halted owing to a hot box, and a freight train came along and dashed into it. At first it was declared that only two tramps were killed. Now it is asserted that several passengers lost their lives.

Weather Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9, 6 a. m.—The weather indications for New York, New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are: Warmer, fair weather, light to fresh variable winds, becoming southerly in Vermont and the northern portion of eastern New York.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Money on call 4 and 5 per cent.

BONDS.

		Closing, Yesterday.	Closing, To-day.
4½s.	1891, reg.	108	107½
4½,	1891, con.	108¾	107½
4s,	1907, reg.	125¾	124½
4s,	1907, con.	126¾	125½

STOCK MARKET.

THREE O'CLOCK.—The attack upon Richmond Terminal was the important feature of the afternoon trading.

CLOSING PRICES.

	Closing, Yesterday.	Closing, To-day.
Canadian Pacific	55	55½
Chicago, Bur. & Q.	129	126
Central Pacific	35	36¼
Del & Hud	103	102¾
Del Lack & W	131½	129¾
Erie	29¼	28¾
Erie pref.	64½	67
Lake Shore	94¾	94¾
Louis & Nash.	61¾	61¾
Mich Central	88¾	87½
Missouri Pacific	—	89
N Y & New Eng	39¼	38¾
New Jersey Cen	108½	107¾
N Y Central & Hud	110¾	106¾
Northwestern	89	88
Oregon Nav	35¼	47½
Pacific Mail	69	67¾
Reading	114	114¼
Rock Island	75¼	74¾
St Paul	87½	85¾
Union Pacific	78¼	76¾
West Union Tel	74¾	74½

Butter—Market Steady; Creamery—Eastern 24ca27c; Western 27ca29c; Elgin, 30ca32c; imitation, 22ca24c, Dairy — Eastern, half-firkin tubs, 24ca26c; Eastern, Welsh tubs, 21ca23c; Eastern firkin, 20 a22c; Eastern, diaries entire, 21ca2 c; Western, 18ca21c; Factory—Fresh 20a23c; June packed, 16ca17c; low grades, 7ca16c.

Cheese—Market steady, Factory—New York cheddar, 11¼ca11¾c; Western, flat, 11½ca11¾c Creamery, New York, part skims, 8ca8½c; Pennsylvania, skims, ½ca1¾c; state skims, 3ca5c.

Eggs—Market firm on fresh Fresh—Eastern, firsts, 25c; Canadian firsts, 21ca22c; Western firsts, 24ca25c; Limed—Eastern, firsts, 17½a18c; Western, firsts, 17ca17½c; Canadian, firsts, 17ca19½; held firsts, 20ca22c.

ARIZONA DIAMONDS.

How an Ingenious Miner Made a Cool Million.

One of the Most Gigantic Frauds Ever Perpetrated—How George Arnold "Salted" a Portion of the Far West with Refuse Gems.

In the year 1883, in my capacity as a newspaper correspondent, I found myself in a little village in New Mexico, writes Mariner J. Kent in the Philadelphia *Press*. It was a pleasant spot and I rested there a few days. Naturally in so small a place my advent was noted and on the second day of my stay a lad came to me with the strange message that Jim Haggerty was dying and wanted to see me. I went to the small adobe pointed out, but death had preceded me. The dead man was indeed "Old Jim," as he was familiarly called. I had known him well some years before in California, where he was a noted mining prospector, but had not met him since. His worn and haggard face recalled vividly to my mind "the great diamond swindle," of which he was a projector. I had reported the affair at the time of its occurrence but briefly, because, great as was its magnitude in the mighty flood of speculation which then engulfed the Golden State, it was but an episode in the passing show. The story of the swindle has never been written in full, I think, and its recounting fills one of the most interesting pages in the history of the mining barons of California.

Among the countless schemes to which the great banker Ralston, who loved to be called the "Financial King of the Pacific Coast," devoted no small share of the California Bank, of which he was president, was the exploiting of mines in the Pyramid range of mountains close to the border line which divides Arizona from New Mexico. This was in the early seventies, when speculation was rife and the discovery of bonanzas an every-day event.

Among the employes of Ralston in the Pyramid mines was one George Arnold, a man of meager education, but bright and ambitious. In his shanty on the wild mountain side, and over his bacon and beans, he was ever dreaming of some plan that would bring Dame Fortune at his waiting feet, and shower upon him her princely favors. He saw men making fortunes by a single cast of the die, and losing them by a single throw. While yet dreaming his dream of wealth there came to him the bright-colored story of the great diamond discoveries at Cape Colony. His teeming brain at once devised a scheme which, in its way, equaled Low's South Sea Bubble. He had grown unscrupulous in his desire, and had come to believe that with him, at least, the end justified the means.

The soil around the pyramid district was rich in color and had character enough to maugurate any mining scheme, however wild and impracticable. So with a comrade, Jim Haggerty, with whom he had long been associated, Arnold made long tours over the surrounding country. After a few weeks of this kind of work he resigned his place in the mines with the given intention of seeking the fairer fields of Mexico.

He next turned up in San Francisco in the fall of 1871. He immediately found Ralston and even astonished that bold operator by revealing that he had discovered in Arizona rich diamond fields quite as extensive as those of Cape Colony. From the gripsack he had brought with him he poured forth a wondrous display of rough diamonds which had been washed from the yielding soil of the new find. They were many, and apparently of value.

Ralston, ever ready for a venture, especially one which promised such dazzling results, entered at once into a proposed exploration of the new diamond fields. He introduced Arnold to several leading capitalists, who at once became enthusiastic over the new Golconda. With the rapid action peculiar to Californians, the clique who had been let into the secret immediately determined to visit the mines, and, if found to be all right, to purchase Arnold's claim and title for the modest but snug sum of $1,000,000. Arnold reluctantly accepted the offer.

On their return to San Francisco the capitalists wished to form a company. In ten days it was accomplished. Arnold was paid his $1,000,000, and made superintendent of the new mines. He at once made known the location of the diamond fields and they were visited by several stockholders in the company. Diamonds were found by each and all of them, and all went merry as a marriage bell until Arnold skipped for the East.

It was then thought best to call in an expert, and Prof. King, the well-known geologist, was selected. He first discovered that the ground around the clump of trees on the bank of the Rio Prieto had been cleverly "salted" with refuse diamonds, such as may be cheaply bought in the marts of Amsterdam. It was also found that the diamonds found by the capitalists had been "tried" at Amsterdam, and, as Prof. King said: "While diamonds may exist in Arizona, it is hardly to be expected that nature will produce them partly cut or polished."

The members of the new diamond company were both thunderstruck and indignant and steps were quickly taken to bring Arnold to justice. He was at his home in his native Kentucky, and the machinery of the law was brought to bear upon him there. He was arrested, but was never taken out of the blue grass country for punishment. In some manner he secured his release and entered upon a life of wild enjoyment. His excesses were of short duration, and after five years of feasting and rioting with ill-gotten wealth his life went out.

How much his side partner, Jim Haggarty, received for his share of the plunder was never known, although it must have been a considerable amount. He was looked upon as a friend and tool rather than a bad sinner, and was left unpunished. However, as before stated, he died poor and miserably. Yet it is doubtful if one of the victims of Arnold and Haggarty's duplicity would wish the future abode of the clever swindlers in even so warm a climate as that in which they located the famous Arizona diamond fields.

Chloroforming While Asleep.

This case is reported in the New Orleans *Medical and Surgical Journal:* A child six years of age was suffering from pleurisy, and it became necessary to draw off the fluid effusion which had accumulated in his chest. He was very much afraid of the operation, and it was determined to attempt it while he was asleep. On the following day, while sound asleep, chloroform was administered without awaking the child, and twenty-four ounces of fluid were withdrawn. The child continued to sleep throughout the night, and when it awoke the following morning knew nothing of the operation.

Heroic Treatment.

"Colonel," said a Kentucky lady to her sick husband, "the doctor says the ice-water you are taking is doing so much good that he thinks he will further increase the dose." "But, my dear," expostulated the sick Colonel, "does he understand that it has already been increased to a teaspoonful three times a day?"

AN IMMENSE FEE.

How a Lawyer's Claim of $1,500 Made Him a Many Times Millionaire.

A young gentleman of prepossessing appearance, who is well known in Louisville society and is a familiar figure at Alexander's Hotel, where he is temporarily residing, is Mr. Sherwood Williams, a wealthy Californian. Mr. Williams, says the Louisville *Courier-Journal*, is bright, genial and companionable. He has been in Louisville for several months, and as he is fond of Kentucky his stay here may be said to be indefinite.

It is entirely natural for the young Californian to love Kentucky and to feel at home here. His father, Thomas H. Williams, was a native of Wayne County, this State, who went to California in 1849. The elder Williams settled in Virginia City, where he was, after a few years, elected to the office of prosecuting attorney. Mr. Williams was retained as the general attorney for a large mining company, whose headquarters were at Virginia City. This company became heavily involved and was on the verge of bankruptcy. Mr. Williams learned its condition, and, as he had a claim of $1,500 against the company for legal services, he brought suit and attached its property. His attachment made him a preferred creditor, and when the property of the company, consisting solely of its mines, was sold, Mr. Williams purchased it, bidding no more than the amount of his judgment. He secured a perfect title to the property, but made no attempt to develop or dispose of it.

Years passed away, and Mr. Williams had been elected to the office of Attorney-General of California. One day he was approached by a representative of Flood, Mackay & O'Brien, and asked if he was not the owner of certain mining property near Virginia City.

"I am," said Mr. Williams.

"Do you wish to sell it?" inquired the agent.

"I do not," was the reply.

"Will you take $100,000 for it?"

"I will not," returned Mr. Williams, who knew the difference between a cowboy and a cartwheel.

"I will give you $250,000," said the agent.

"The property is not for sale," said Mr. Williams.

The agent left but the next day he came back and offered Mr. Williams $500,000 for the property. The offer was declined.

The negotiations were then taken up by a member of the firm of Flood, Mackay & O'Brien. As a result Mr. Williams put his property into the firm, taking in return a big block of stock. That stock begun to fly like a kite. About the time it was at its highest Mr. Williams sent for his partners and told them he was going to sell his shares.

"If you want them," said he, "you can take them, at regular market quotations." They wanted them and they took them. When the stock had been transferred, the firm of Flood, Mackay & O'Brien gave Mr. Williams a check for $6,000,000. He had waited a good while to collect his attorney's fee from the insolvent mining company, but when it did come it was a crusher.

It was by very considerable odds the largest fee ever realized by an attorney in the history of this country.

A MISUNDERSTANDING.

An Amusing Dialogue Between a Deaf Old Lady and Her Waiter.

An honored guest at one of the up-town hotels recently was a portly and dignified old lady, says the New York *Tribune*. She was dressed in rustling black silk and a stiff white cap, and even the clerk was awed by her presence and conversation. It was a highly-edifying sight at meal hours to watch the head waiter obsequiously conveying this piece of ancient respectability across the dining-hall to a seat. Increasing deafness led the old lady always to carry an ear-trumpet with her, but the presence of that implement did not detract from the impressiveness of the scene. The ceremony of seating having been duly performed, she would order her meal, and the waiter having humbly dropped a few words of explanation or suggestion into the business end of the trumpet would depart on his mission.

It happened, however, a few mornings ago that the old lady reached the breakfast table without her trumpet. She did not seem troubled at forgetting it, but adjusting her glasses inspected the bill of fare and ordered breakfast, concluding with a request for some fish-balls.

"There ain't any fish-balls, ma'am," said the waiter, respectfully.

"I prefer them done brown," she said.

"There ain't any fish-balls this morning."

"And I wish you would tell the cook not to fry them in lard. Use a little piece of salt pork."

"There ain't any—"

"And wait a moment. Tell her to be very careful not to use halibut for fish-balls instead of codfish. I understand it is frequently done."

"There ain't any fish-balls to-day," reported the waiter, in loud tones.

"You really ought not to serve fish-balls every day, John," she said, pleasantly. "The old New England way was to have them for Sunday breakfasts."

"There ain't any fish-balls," shouted the waiter.

"Yes, serve them with parsley."

The unfortunate waiter glanced helplessly about, and then bending down to the old lady's ear, in tones that proclaimed it to the entire dining-room, he roared out again: "There ain't no fish-balls to-day!"

"Why didn't you say so, then? John," she added, gazing at the flushed waiter severely over her spectacles, "I think you have been drinking. You have been muttering to yourself there for the last five minutes. Never mind about the fish-balls, but I shall report you to the clerk."

Journalism in Tennessee.

"Talk about editors having hard times," says Opie Read, in the *Arkansaw Traveler*, "about the worst I ever had was when another fellow and myself ran a paper in Tennessee. We were so hard up that we couldn't afford a fire at our office in winter time, and we actually had no warmth in our apartments. But we were not dismayed. Why? Because we both had annual passes on the railroad, and there was nothing to prevent us from boarding the train when it came through in the evening and riding on it till midnight. Then we would get off, wait for the return train, and ride back again. We took turns on the watch so that we wouldn't be carried past our place at four o'clock in the morning. Yet there are worse places to run a paper than Tennessee!"

A Carrier Pigeon.

A carrier pigeon sent from Cortlandt street, in New York City, alighted the other day on the window of a shop in Spencer, Mass. Under the bird's wing was a paper with this written on it: "Give me corn and water to drink and bathe in, and let me go." The owner of the store did as requested, and the pigeon, much refreshed, flew away.

Mrs. Cleveland's Plush Gown.

Mrs. Cleveland has among the gowns recently added to her wardrobe a very elegant one of plush, which is neither blue nor gray, and yet is both, matching the color of her eyes exactly. In this gown she receives her friends when they call during the morning hours of the White House.

JUSTICE IN FRANCE.

The Network of Law Which Surrounds a French Citizen.

Max O'Rell Explains Some of the Peculiarities of the Legal Machinery of the French Republic—A Scene at a Trial.

President Dupin, the greatest French juris-consult of the century, once said: "If I were accused of having carried off the towers of Notre Dame in my pockets I would run away."

Could you believe, for instance, asks Mr. Max O'Rell in the Liverpool *Courier*, that upon the least suspicion a French magistrate may order, on his own responsibility—a responsibility which no one has a right to question—a search or an arrest in any private house? He may issue such a warrant upon any presumption uncorroborated upon oath. When, in France, a man is accused, say, for instance, of stealing a watch, he is brought before the commissary of police, who invariably says to him: "You are charged with stealing a watch. The best thing you can do is to make a full confession, and the judge will be lenient with you." If he is guilty, and knows that the case is clear against him, he immediately makes a clean breast of it, and, as a rule, is quickly and leniently dealt with. But if he is innocent, or, if guilty, he thinks he can get out of the scrape, he of course answers: "You are mistaken, I am not guilty," and his troubles begin. He is sent to prison, and the following day is taken before the examining judge, called *judge d' instruction*, not in public, but in a private room. There this magistrate says to him point blank: "You say you are not guilty, of course; if we were to listen to all of you none would be guilty. Now, enough of that nonsense. You are charged with stealing a watch. Prove that you are innocent."

Now, if the prisoner is guilty it must be difficult for him to prove that he is innocent; but for that matter, if he is innocent it may be just as difficult. If the first comer were to accuse me of having stolen his umbrella a few days ago I could more easily say that I was innocent than to prove it. "So you persist in your denial?" says the examining judge to the French prisoner. "Very well, I will send you back to your prison. I hope that next time I send for you you will have reflected, and discovered that the best way to serve your own interests is to make a full confession."

The prisoner goes back to jail, and the magistrate begins to get up the case against him. If the accusation is of a serious character the man is placed *au secret*, that is to say, that not only he can not communicate with his friends, much less see them, but he can not even see his counsel or receive any legal advice. How long is he to remain in preliminary imprisonment before being sent to a tribunal? This entirely depends on the good pleasure of the examining magistrate, who is allowed by the law to keep him a year under examination. If at the end of the year the case is not sent for trial the prisoner is discharged.

I should, however, hasten to add that, as a rule, for an ordinary theft or offense that does not require long investigations, the accused undergoes only from two to six months' preliminary imprisonment before he is brought before his judges. During that time he is brought once or twice a month to the Palais de Justice, to be asked by the judge if "he still persists in his denial." These visits to the examining judge are most dreaded by French prisoners, especially in Paris. They sometimes have six, eight hours to wait for their turn, in a little dungeon six feet square, where they have neither food nor air. It is nothing short of torture this inquisitional examination in private. When in the eveuing the prisoner sees his cell again it must look to him like Paradise compared to the hole he had to creep into during the day. At last one day he receives intimation that his trial will take place.

But now mark well where the system is wrong. The prosecuting magistrates called the *magistrature debout* (because they prosecute standing), and the judging magistrates, called the *magistrature assise* (because they try cases in a sitting position), belong to the same set. Indeed, the prosecuting magistrates are in time promoted to be sitting magistrates. The prosecution is not, therefore, independent as the defense is. The prisoner's case is settled before he appears in court, for both prosecuting and sitting magistrates have held a consultation over it, and the speech of the prosecution is merely delivered for form's sake.

If the proceedings of the *Police Correctionelle* are dull and prosy those of the court of assizes offer a different sight. We are now in a perfect theater. Nothing is wanting but stage-boxes and the division of the seats into stalls and galleries. The prisoner himself often forgets his awful position, and thinks of the public who gaze at him. He feels like a sort of hero, the actor in whom the interest of the grand spectacular drama concentrates. Ladies of the highest society flock to the court, duly provided with scent bottles and extra pocket handkerchiefs. If, as is the case in France nine times out of ten, a woman is the cause of the prisoner's terrible position, they expect sensational scenes that would draw at the Port St. Martin Theater, and they are seldom disappointed. At last a little bell is rung. All are silent and breathless. The accused, accompanied by two gendarmes, enters the court and sits on a high bench, well in view of every body. Then come the three judges, with their scarlet gowns, followed by the advocate-general or public prosecutor. All take their seats solemnly. The performance is about to begin.

A French jury will always award "extenuating circumstances" to a prisoner who may be supposed to have committed murder under the influence of love, jealousy, revenge or despair—love especially. They will not uncommonly acquit a man, if his character is otherwise irreproachable, who has killed an unfaithful wife or her lover. Besides, the idea of capital punishment is abhorrent to the French, and the jury will always try to find extenuating circumstances to avoid sending a fellow-creature to the guillotine. And even when their consciences will not allow them to find these extenuating circumstances, they fondly cling to the hope that the President of the Republic will commute the sentence of death to one of penal servitude for life.

In America prisoners are constantly visited in their cells by people who cheer them up and provide them with work when they come out. In France the only visit they receive is from the chaplain, who exhorts them to pray to St. Joseph.

A Mule Frightened to Death.

In Sumter County, Ga., a gentleman and lady were riding along a county road, going to church in a buggy drawn by a mule. A large piece of blue paper was rolling down the road ahead of them, stirred by a stiff breeze; when about twenty feet from the paper a whirlwind caught it, rattled it around furiously and, lifting it up, carried it one hundred or more feet in the air and out of the way. The mule whirled, but turned his head toward the paper, watched it the while, trembling, fell upon his knees and then turned over on his side and expired.

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BY THE WAY.

—Our report of the proceedings of the Borough Council, last evening, is, strange to say, very interesting reading.

—The new firm of Howell & Hardy on North avenue, opposite the station, is selling new groceries at reasonable prices. Give them a call.

—A man named Gaskill was arrested by Officer Lynch last evening for being drunk on the streets, and insulting females. This morning he was fined ten dollars.

—"Christ, our Master,"—Matt. 23:10; Rom. 6:16, is the topic for the Young Men's Meeting at the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Monday evening. Leader, Mr. C. E. Boss. All men welcome.

—Next Monday evening at Laing's Hall a company of glassblowers with other attractive features will open for a week an entertainment where everyone is admitted for fifteen cents and receives a present when they go.

—The report of the Department of Agriculture for the month of November, shows the corn crop on the average to be short, potatoes the smallest yield since 1881 and apples a poor crop and of inferior quality.

—A "Tamasha" and sociable was held in Mt. Olive Baptist church on Thursday evening, and the net proceeds, about $70, was given to the pastor. The programme included singing, recitations and a number of short plays.

—We would give our young gentlemen readers a sly tip, by advising them to be unusually kind to their friends, the ladies, during to-morrow. Every member of the "Y" is permitted to invite two young men to the "high chocolate" at the "Y" rooms, Monday evening.

—We have sold every copy of the extraordinarily large edition of Wednesday's PRESS containing the only tabulated result of Tuesday's election that was published. The same form, however, was used in our weekly of which we can still furnish copies for filing away.

—One of our Plainfield hair dressers recently ate 79 Massachusetts Bay, raw oysters at one sitting, at Van Name's oyster house on Park avenue, and it "didn't hurt him a bit." Mr. Van Name intends to engaged an extra oyster opener the next time his patron applies for supper.

—A horse attached to an open wagon belonging to Frank Linke, of North Plainfield, ran away on Somerset street a little before noon today. The animal was caught on Park avenue by Charles Van Nest soon afterward, and the vehicle was minus a Linke. He was thrown out, but sustained no serious injury.

—The Sunday evening service under the auspices of the Plainfield Berean Bible Class, at Cutter's Hall, to-morrow evening, will be full of interest as the teacher, Rev. J. B. Cleaver, will give one of his entertaining and instructive talks. All are invited. The meeting commences at 7:30 o'clock with a service of song.

—Today appears on our next page the announcement of the big fair to be held by the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church in the Sunday School's new Hall. Effort has been made during the past many weeks to equal the church fair held some time ago in The Crescent, and every assurance of such success is apparent.

—The next in the series of free entertainments given under the auspices of the Reform Club will take place in Reform Hall on the evening of Dec. 29th. Rev. Mr. Richards will then deliver a lecture. As THE PRESS predicted at the opening of the series, this new departure by the Reform Club is destined to be of great benefit, especially to the young men of the city. Each succeeding lecture and entertainment is better patronized than the one preceding it, and before the season closes we predict Reform Hall will prove inadequate to meet the demand.

THE LAST OF THE FIREBUGS.

"Eph," the Only Suspect Left, is Also to be Released.

The following from an enterprising contemporary of this morning, attracted our attention:

It is stated that "Eph" Carmon, the negro from this place accused of being a Plainfield "firebug," will soon be released upon his own recognizance. He is now confined in jail at Elizabeth.—*Bound Brook Chronicle.*

A PRESS reporter was at once assigned the duty of interviewing those about "headquarters" and others in a position to know something to do with the case. The result of our representative's inquiry, presents some startling news. Said one who claimed to know the "insides" of the whole matter, "There was hardly enough evidence against the darkey presented to the Grand Jury to justify that body in finding a bill of indictment. But in the interest of the people of your city, and to further the ends of justice, he was indicted because the charge against him would have expired by limitation in a few weeks thereafter. The evidence consisted of a statement of his own, made under peculiar circumstances, and implicating another. This he would undoubtedly repudiate now, and the Prosecution would be left without a case. Detective Murphy had no evidence of value to present on this or any other charge."

A trip to Bound Brook resulted in the securing of but little information to substantiate Eph's defence of an alibi. Of the witnesses subpœnaed to testify that the accused was engaged in carting about that place at the time of the fire Nov. 21, 1885, but one could so swear, and he only "to the best of his belief." Still such a plea would be of no avail if evidence was forthcoming to the effect that the means used failed to "go off" at the time expected, and that the unexpected delay had been sufficient to allow the one who had placed the infernal machine in position to do its work, to be some miles away when the fire broke out.

Another high in authority says that the item we quote at the beginning of this article, is true. That "Eph" will be released whether he secures bail or not. Our authority also makes the astounding statement that neither Eph, nor Theodore Van Nest nor any more accused firebugs will be brought to trial. This endorses the following from these columns of Nov. 29, wherein was stated the probable result of the wholesale capture:

The record will be: One conviction only—that for the Parse fire, which conviction was brought about by Horace's threats and Lewis' insurance policy.

The release of Theodore Van Nest and Eph Carmon because of insufficient evidence.

And the others arrested without cause, Messrs. Reed, Hapenny and Skinner, were released weeks ago.

To Swell the Fund.

The building fund being raised for the erection of the new Grace Episcopal church, grows apace, and before many months the handsome edifice will begin to rise above ground on the valuable location purchased long ago for the purpose, at Seventh and Sycamore streets. The latest enterprise arranged to swell the fund, is a sale of fancy and useful Christmas presents by the little children of the Ministering League of the church. It will be held in the W. C. T. U. rooms on Front opposite Peace street, Tuesday afternoon and evening of next week. It deserves the public's patronage.

Preparing for Winter's Sport.

The managers of the Plainfield Tobogganing Company have had a force of men at work for some time past, putting the chute on Front street in order for the expected large patronage of the coming season. This is the fashionable out-door sport of young and old alike, and if the elements are favorable the Plainfield slide will undoubtedly be kept busy until Winter's backbone is broken and the tobogganers have slid into the lap of Spring. The chute has been scraped and almost polished, while the supports have all been tested and strengthened until they are even firmer than ever.

As Others See Us.

This is from the Newark *Advertiser:* "The Union County Court has reversed a judgment of the City of Plainfield against a saloon-keeper for illegal liquor selling. It is stated that at the late election the question of license or no license was looked upon as the most important one in the canvass. From the outset the element favoring the saloons was the most active, and so arranged the tickets at the primaries that the defeat of only one of the temperance candidates was all that would be necessary to insure license."

A Big Hotel.

The largest candy hotel in the World is on exhibition at Foote's, No. 19 Park avenue. Mr. George M. Demarest was the architect and builder. Each purchaser of fifty cents worth of candy receives a numbered ticket, and after the drawing, Jan. 2d, the one holding the lucky number takes the sweet building.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Miss Laura Adams of New Brunswick, is visiting her sister in this city.

Services to-morrow at Trinity Reformed church at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. The pastor's subject in the evening will be "Come and See."

The remains of ex-Mayor Wm. B. Maxson, were yesterday removed from their grave in the Seventh Day burying ground and deposited in Hillside Cemetery.

The *Fredonian* of New Brunswick in its issue of Thursday says: Miss Ella Moffett of Plainfield, who has been visiting Miss Lillie Holman of this city, returned to her home yesterday.

Rev. E. M. Rodman conducted the funeral of the late D. B. Bascome, M. D., from the residence of his son on East Ninth street yesterday afternoon. The remains were placed in the vault, temporarily, at Hillside Cemetery.

An illustrated address, of which we told in detail last evening, will be delivered at the Congregational church, to-morrow evening at 7.30 o'clock, by Mr. G. W. Leitch on the life, habits and religion of the Hindoos of India and Ceylon.

Mrs. John M. Jackson, wife of the convicted firebug, who was sent to Trenton a few days ago to serve out a fifteen years' sentence, gave birth to twins, a boy and girl, last evening. Today the mother is reported as much improved.

Mrs. Cleveland's successor has arrived and is stopping at the residence of Mr. Richard Day, the North avenue liveryman. She is quite young, but weighs 'teen pounds, which speaks well for her chances of getting there in good time. "Dick" is so proud of his young heiress that he makes a profound bow every time her name is mentioned. He is doing as well as can be expected under the weight of hearty congratulations and good wishes.

The first formal reception given at the residence of Gov. Green at Elizabeth, on Thursday evening last, was a decidedly pleasant social event. Many State officials and prominent personages were present, and the toilets of the ladies were handsome and rich. The hours of reception were from 4 to 6 p. m. Mrs. Green and the Misses Green assisted in the reception, and pleased everyone by their charming manners. The residence was handsomely illuminated and profusely decorated with flowers.

In introducing Mr. Daft before his lecture at Music Hall, Thursday evening, Corporation Counsel Marsh paid the lecturer a great compliment at the close of his remarks. He said that a New York gentleman had suggested that Mr. Daft was probably not appreciated in Plainfield. Being asked why, he said that of course he was appreciated everywhere else, but there was scripture authority for believing that "a prophet is not without honor save in his own country and in his own house." To this Mr. Marsh replied that Solomon's sayings were generally true, but it would be observed that the one in question related solely to prophets. Mr. Daft got beyond being a prophet years ago. Now, day after day, he was *fulfilling* prophesy and fulfilling it to such an extent that one was prompted to quote the answer made by the Queen of Sheba to Solomon; that "the half hath not been told."

Officers of the W. R. C.

The annual meeting for the election of officers to serve the W. R. C. for the ensuing year took place last evening, with the following result:

President—Mrs. E. C. Morse.
Senior Vice Pres.—Mrs. W. C. Smith.
Junior Vice Pres.—Mrs. Lydia A. Walker.
Treasurer—Mrs. M. W. Terry.
Chaplain—Mrs. C. Stephens.
Conductor—Mrs. G. Rittenhouse.
Guard—Mrs. S. Moore.

Mrs. Addis was elected delegate to the Convention, and Mrs. Bray, of Hoboken, as alternate.

A Good Play and a Fine Company.

At Music Hall Monday evening, Mr. Edward J. Henley and his English company will present Robert Louis Stevenson's play, "Deacon Brodie, or the Double Life." It is the story of a man who led a double life, who during the day was the respective representative of an honored family, and a leader among his townsmen, but who at night changed his character with his clothes, left the "Deacon" behind him in the honest house of which he was reputed to be the pillar and went out to spend his nights, sometimes in roystering dissipation, sometimes in crime.

A New Glee Club.

The Crescent Glee Club is the title of a new association of choristers which was organized last evening. The following is a list of officers elected:

Leader—C. H. Farlee.
President—J. Clark, Jr.
Vice President—C. J. Ackerman.
Secretary—Wm. H. Hardy.
Treasurer—E. E. Vail.
Manager—Wm. H. Hardy.

The club is now ready for business.

—One month to "January Thaw."

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING.

The Electric Light Poles Must Go—Street Lighting Contract Awarded—Other Business.

An adjourned regular meeting of the North Plainfield Council was held last evening, Mayor Cooley in the chair. The roll-call showed the following Councilmen present: Messrs. McGee, Milne, Slater and Weaver. Councilman Riker came in later. The reading of the minutes of the meeting of December 2d was dispensed with, and the regular order of business taken up. Under the heading of "Presentation of Petitions and Communications," the following were presented: From Mr. R. Elliott asking permission to make a glass enclosure in front of his store, No. 46 Somerset street. Referred by Mr. Milne to the Committee on Streets. By Mr. Slater, asking for a sidewalk on the Southerly side of Chatham street, between Somerset and Warren streets. Referred to the same Committee. By request of Mr. Slater a communication was presented from A. D. Thompson, per J. D. Hetfield, manager, stating that the petitioner had leased from Carmon Parse, the property known as the Hillman estate on Somerset street, and asking permission to continue slaughtering small stock on the premises, provided the lessee keep the place clean, remove all offal, etc., so as not to prove detrimental to the public health. Mr. Slater moved to refer the matter to the Mayor and Street Committee with power. Mayor Cooley said that several complaints had been made to him about the place, and he had notified Mr. Hetfield to the effect that he was violating the health ordinance. The latter, he said, had called upon him and stated that he had a quantity of live stock on hand, which he desired to dispose of, and asked leniency from his honor for a few days. This the Mayor consented to, allowing him a few days grace to slaughter his stock; provided, however, that Mr. Hetfield would petition the Council for a further privilege to carry on the work. Mr. Slater said the ordinance was framed evidently with the object of stopping this sort of business, and to prohibit persons from coming into the borough and establishing slaughter houses there. Mr. Slater's motion to refer the matter to the Mayor and Street Committee with power prevailed.

Mr. McGee from the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee, submitted a report setting forth what had been accomplished by the Committee in reference to street lighting, and also what action had been taken by the Committee with reference to the removal of the Electric Light Company's poles and wires from the borough. The report was received and filed.

Mr. Slater called from the table a resolution calling for the removal of the electric light poles and wires. The paper embodies the Corporation Counsel's opinion with reference to the matter and under its provisions he will act. It is as follow

WHEREAS, on the 4th day of December, 1885, the Plainfield Electric Light Co., petitioned the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, for the privilege of making an exhibition in the borough of the arc light of the Thompson-Houston system, said petition was favorably considered and the privilege granted on the date above mentioned, and

WHEREAS, The same company on the 2d day of April, 1885, again petitioned the Mayor and Council for the privilege of erecting in the borough the poles and wires necessary to run 25 arc lights of the Thompson-Houston system, which petition was favorably considered and the privilege granted by a resolution passed on the last mentioned date. Said resolution provided that the poles and wires might be erected after complying with certain conditions therein stated, and said resolution referred to and required that the poles and wires be erected as provided in a certain ordinance of the Mayor and Council, approved on even date with the resolution and petition, and

WHEREAS, The conditions imposed by the resolution, granting the privilege and the terms of the ordinance under which they should have been erected, have not been complied with, and as the said company have ceased to use the poles and wires for the purpose for which the consent to their erection was had, and

WHEREAS, The said company refused to use the poles and wires for street lighting, therefore be it

Resolved, That the said company be required to remove all their poles and wires from the streets, roads, avenues, places and thoroughfares of the borough within 20 days after the service of an order so to do, and if the same are not removed as required in said order, then the Street Commissioner is hereby directed to remove them and the Committee on Streets and Public Health are charged with the duty of carrying this order into effect.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution properly signed and attested by the Mayor and Clerk, be furnished to the Corporation Counsel who is directed to draw an order as required by this resolution, provide for and cause the same to be properly served on the Plainfield Electric Light Co., and he shall use all diligence to effect a prompt service of said order.

Before a vote was taken on the adoption of the resolution, Mr. McGee spoke at some length. He said among other things, that the subscribers to the Electric Light Company had broken their contract teetotally; nothing like the sum of money at first subscribed, individually, was ever paid in. On the other hand, the Company may have violated their contract, although the streets were lighted by electricity for a time at least; inasmuch as the Company was now carrying on a business in North Plainfield he thought it would be wise to consider the matter before, possibly, entering into a litigation in which the Council may eventually have to back down. The chair called for a vote on the adoption of the resolution, and it was carried, Mr. McGee voting "no."

Mr. McGee called from the table a resolution, in blank form, which subsequently prevailed and awarded to the N. Y. and N. J. Globe Gas Light Company the contract for lighting the streets of the borough. He stated that there seemed to be a divided opinion as to the manner of street lighting, and thought something should be done to bring about an effective service without delay. Whatever the Council did, in his opinion, would be looked upon favorably by the citizens; the proposition of the above company, he said, seemed to be looked upon with more favor than the others. At this juncture of the proceedings, the company's proposition was read. Bid No. 1 offered to furnish 175 or more standard Philadelphia lamps, iron posts, with improved gas generating apparatus, the same to burn 22 nights in each month from dark to dawn at the rate of $17.75 per lamp for one year's contract, and $17 per lamp for a three year's contract; for the same number of lamps to burn all night and every night in the year, $18.25 for a one year's contract, and $17.50 for a three year's contract. Bid No. 2 agrees to furnish with wooden posts, 175 lamps or more, the same to burn 22 nights in each month all night, for $17.25 per lamp for a one year contract, and $16.75 per lamp for a three year's contract; to burn every night in the year, all night, $17,75 per lamp for a one year's contract, and $17 for a three year's contract. Mr. McGee stated that the Committee had no recommendation to make as to style of posts, but recommended that the contract call for the burning of the lamps all night on 22 nights in each month. Following is the resolution:

Resolved, That the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Plainfield make and enter into a contract with the New York and New Jersey Globe Gas Light Co., limited, for causing the public streets and places of said borough to be lighted with not less than 150 or more than 190 of their standard Philadelphia lamps and iron posts, with improved gas generating apparatus, said lamps to burn all night during 22 nights of each month, for the period not exceeding one year, and for that purpose causing to be erected and maintained all necessary and proper posts, lanterns and fixtures, all on the best terms obtainable, and that the annual expense thereof after being ascertained or determined by resolution be certified unto the Assessor of such borough, and that such annual expense be thereupon levied, assessed and collected from all the real and personal property in said borough in the same manner, at the same time and under the same penalties (but without any extra compensation therefor) as the taxes for the working or repairing of roads in such borough are or may be.

Mr. Slater offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into a contract with the N. Y. & N. J. Globe Gas Light Company, for 150 and not more than 190 of their Philadelphia standard lamps, the same to burn 22 nights from dark to dawn at a cost of not more than $17.75 per lamp, but said contract shall provide that if the borough shall continue the contract for a period of three years, then the aggregate paid in that time shall not be more than would have been paid were the contract made for three years in the first instance, and the said company shall agree to have the entire plant in good working order within thirty days from the date of signing the articles of agreement.

A resolution offered by Mr. Milne authorizing the Mayor and Street Committee to procure for Mr. H. H. Baker the required number of metal signs for street naming at a cost of 30 cents each, was seconded by Mr. Slater and adopted.

Mr. Riker explained the action taken by the Street Committee in awarding to John A. Thickstun the contract for laying walks at Somerset street and Grandview avenue. He stated that Mr. Powers had presented an itemized bid for the work, amounting in the aggregate to $26.60. Mr. Thickstun had lumped the job for $25.

Council then adjourned.

"Mock Trial."

A new and interesting development of the talent of the Boys' Senior Society of the Y. M. C. A., will be exhibited in a "Mock Trial," to take place at the Association rooms on Tuesday evening next at 8 o'clock. Hon. John Ulrich will preside as Judge upon the occasion. A goodly number of young men will act as lawyers and witnesses. The Court will be an open session, and those interested in this branch of the work of the Association, are cordially invited.

—The East-bound B. & O. express train was over four hours late when it arrived in this city yesterday morning.

—Shaw, the pharmacist, opposite Park avenue, on Front street, displays one of the finest assortments of dressing cases and toilet sets of all kinds, this side of New York city.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

M. JULES FERRY ASSASSINATED.

Three Shots Severely Wound the French Leader.

PARIS, Dec. 10—An assassin, whose motive is not yet known, fired three shots from a revolver at M. Jules Ferry, this morning. The victim was promenading at the time, in the lobby of the Chamber of Deputies. He fell to the ground seriously wounded, but information regarding the assassin cannot be obtained at this moment.

Royal Arcanum Notes.

Assessment No. 101 was issued to the members of Royal Arcanum Nov. 1st, payable to their Council treasury on or before Dec. 1st: 101 assessments paid by them in ten years and six months. The deaths embraced in call No. 101 distributed by States are as follows: Ohio, Maryland, Tennessee, Wisconsin, Virginia, Indiana and New Jersey, one each; Massachusetts, seven; Pennsylvania and New York, four each; Ontario and Illinois, two each, and Georgia three. The call showed the number of members in good standing Nov. 1st to be 77,762, a gain of 122 since Oct. 15th. The membership of the order, Dec. 31st, 1886, was 70,755, against 61,023 Dec. 31st, 1885. Number of deaths in 1886 was 541; in 1887 up to Nov. 1st, 529. It is possible another assessment will be called this year, which, based upon the average death rate, would make the number of deaths for 1887, 559. The year's work shows an approximate increase of membership of 7,300 and death rate of 58 over 1886. The order paid to the families of deceased members, in 1887, $1,617,000. The comparative statistics furnished by the Supreme Secretary's report ending Dec. 31, 1886, gives the receipts for ten years up to the above date as follows: Receipts, $6,505,645.67; disbursements. $6,446,000; to which adding $1,617,000 for 1887, makes a total of $8,063,000 paid to dependents of deceased members in ten years and eleven months. This is a showing that should make the hearts of the membership swell with pride.

The order has one council in this city, Plainfield, 711, which is in a very flourishing condition, and contains on its roll of active membership 101 of our best citizens.

To Protect the Sabbath.

Members of the W. C. T. U. of New Brunswick and other cities in the State are taking active steps to prevent the desecration of the Sabbath and to combat the influence of the Liquor League. The following petition which it is designed to present to the next Legislature, is being distributed and largely signed:

To the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

GENTLEMEN:—In view of the efforts being made by the Liquor interests of the State to bring about the repeal of the laws prohibiting the sale of intoxicants upon the Sabbath or first day of the week, and the opening of saloons on that day:—

We, the subscribers, citizens of the State of New Jersey, would respectfully petition the Senate and General Assembly not to repeal such laws or to pass any act authorizing or permitting, or tending to authorize or permit, the sale of intoxicants or the opening of the saloons upon the Sabbath, or any part thereof, or to pass any act which would tend to secularize that day; but on the contrary we do petition you to provide for the enforcement of all laws intended to protect the Sabbath as a day of rest and worship.

SCOTCH PLAINS.

The Fanwood Improvement Company are erecting a number of handsome Queen Anne cottages on North avenue.

The shipment of stone from Mr. Jos. Cook's stone crusher has been necessarily delayed for a week or two past, owing to an accident to the machinery.

The new club house is well patronized these evenings, by the young people of the place, who enjoy bowling, billiards and other social amusements.

John T. Hildbrand, of Myersville, Md., who has been visiting his brother-in-law, Mr. A. C. Brown, has returned home. His family will remain here for a few weeks.

—Shakespeare speaks of the Timon of Athens, but neglects to give the record made. That is because he didn't have one of Collier's incomparable watches to do the timin' with. They are as regular as the sun, more reasonable in price and much more handy to carry around.

—In resuming its old position as a solvent road, under direction of its own officers and directors, the Central Railroad will be the first of the New Jersey roads, except the Erie, to adopt the graded system of commutation. This system has been adopted by nearly all the roads running out of New York, except the New Jersey roads. It is known as the graded system, and provides for a gradual reduction of monthly commuting rates, until at the end of the year the commuter who buys monthly tickets gets his twelve tickets at nearly the same price as is paid for an annual rate.

HARPER TELLS HIS STORY

THE LATE FIDELITY BANKER ON THE WITNESS STAND.

He Tells About Complicated Deals With Wheat Brokers and in All His Testimony Does Not Improve his Case.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 10.—Yesterday was an existing day in the Harper trial. E. L. Harper was called to the stand, and before he took the oath Judge Jackson said:

"Did you request to be placed on the witness stand?"

"Yes, sir," was the answer.

The oath was then administered, and the witness told of his business career, ending with the Fidelity bank, which, he said, he organized out of the Fidelity Safe Deposit and Trust company. He smiled when asked if he knew J. W. Wilshire, and went on to detail Wilshire's connection with the Fidelity bank. He said that in September, 1886, he was induced by Wilshire to make him a loan of $55,000. Wilshire at that time was a debtor to the bank to the amount of $200,000, and he represented to Harper that if this loan was not made the bank would suffer. He accommodated him upon taking an agreement to transfer certain real estate, and also 100 shares of Fidelity stock at par, then worth 160. All went well, until October, when witness returned from a little dinner party composed of Wilshire and some officers of the bank, and found that during his absence Wilshire, Eckert & Co's check for $26,000 on the First National bank had been returned not good. That check Wilshire said he was unable to make good, and we were compelled to carry it. Another day when witness was out, Wilshire, Eckert & Co. got Hopkins to wire $60,000 credit to Chicago upon certified checks. At the close of business hours that day he found Wilshire, Eckert & Co.'s account overdrawn $60,000, with the former $26,000, their debt to the bank of $200,000, and their debt to him of $55,000. He felt that they were in a dangerous position. Wilshire transferred to him the real estate and the stock, which he turned over to the bank. He stormed at Wilshire, but could get nothing out of him. He then suggested to the cashier to take a call loan from Wilshire, Eckert & Co., to square their account and save the cashier. Mr. Harper stated unreservedly that he never gave an order of any kind to Mr. Eckert to buy grain for him in Chicago, and he was equally sweeping and explicit in saying that he never authorized Mr. Wilshire to buy grain for him in Chicago or elsewhere. This is the point of the whole case, and is in direct conflict with the testimony of both Mr. Wilshire and Mr. Eckert.

Harper's manner on the stand showed what a difficult man he has been for his attorneys to manage. He took the jury into his confidence and talked to them with the purpose of convincing them, but all the time was transgressing the rules of evidence as explained to him time and again by Judge Jackson. He argued his case as he went along until Judge Jackson's rebukes began to bear the tones of impatience. He testified a dozen times to occurrences which he did not witness, but of which somebody had told him. Every question furnished a new opportunity to him to say what his intentions were.

He was about to leave the stand when Mr. Blackburn asked him if he had anything to do with Mr. Hopkin's wheat deals through Broker Hoyt. He answered that he paid Hopkin's drafts, but he did it to protect the bank.

"I was interested through Hopkins to that extent. We would first protect the interests of the bank, and after that was done, if there was any profit left, it was to be divided between Hopkins and myself."

A sensation ran through the court room as these words were uttered. Mr. Blackburn, to break the force of the admission, said:

"Did you at any time have any intent in all these transactions to defraud the bank or anybody else?"

"None in the world," was the answer. Miss Matthews at this point was in tears.

The cross-examination was brief and pointed. It brought out the single fact that he purchased certificates of deposit with his own checks, which were not charged to his account.

WILL DEFY THE MAYOR.

Chicago Anarchists Will Now Hold Five Festivals Instead of One.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Instead of the one entertainment at battery D armory that was choked off by the hostility of Mayor Roche, or the three that were talked of Thursday, the anarchists yesterday decided to have no less than five different festivals at five different halls in various portions of the city for the benefit of the families of the dead or imprisoned anarchists. One will be held to-day, two Sunday and two Tuesday. The halls engaged all have licenses to sell liquors, so there will be no further difficulty on that score. The tickets for the collapsed festival are to be honored at any of the others. It was announced last night that the burial of the executed anarchists will take place at Waldheim Christmas Day.

Virginia State Officers.

RICHMOND, Dec. 10.—The general assembly yesterday elected the democratic caucus nominees for the state offices as follows: Secretary of the commonwealth, Henry W. Flourney; auditor of public accounts, Morton Marye; second auditor, Frank Grunin; treasurer, A. W. Harmon, Jr.; railroad commissioner, James C. Hill; superintendent of public printing, J. H. O'Bannon; superintendent of the penitentiary, W. W. Moses; commissioner of agriculture, Thomas Whitehead. The election of a United States senator will take place the 20th inst., when John Barbour will be elected.

She Will Sue Her Truant Lover.

NEWARK, Dec. 10.—Christian Gutjahr, who disappeared on Saturday last, the day he was to have married Gretchen Stuckert, turned up again in this city yesterday and vowed he would sue the baker who asserted that the reason he had decamped was because he had stolen several watches. He states that he left because he had quarreled with his sweetheart, whom he asserts he will not marry under any consideration. Miss Stuckert alleges that she will bring suit against her faithless lover for breachof promise.

Mary Anderson's Cottage Sold.

LONG BRANCH, Dec. 10.—The old summer house of Mary Anderson, the actress, near John Hoey's Hollywood park, has been sold to J. Harper Bonnell, the New York printers' ink manufacturer. The price paid was $75,000.

Canal Navigation to Close.

HONESDALE, Pa., Dec. 10.—The last loaded boat on the Delaware and Hudson Canal left here yesterday afternoon for Rondout. The shipments this season were 873,000 tons, an increase over last season of 178,000 tons.

THE VITROL SENSATION.

Horne Discharged and Frank H. Young Arrested.

HAVERHILL, Mass., Dec. 10.—The man Horne, who was charged with throwing vitrol upon Miss Mahan, was discharged from custody in the police court yesterday morning, the prosecuting counsel having no evidence against him. Miss Mahan's condition was less favorable this morning.

Frank H. Young, aged about twenty-five years, who was arrested on the same charge late Thursday night, was placed under $2,000 bonds to appear to-day. Young's statements that he had seen stranger pay money to Horne soon after the vitrol throwing was what led to the latter's arrest.

Young, who came from Lynn two years ago, has served a term for larceny and has not a good reputation. After Horne's arrest Young manifested considerable excitement and in frequent conversations with officers told conflicting stories. Soon after the assault he called at Miss Mahan's boarding place and offered to watch with her, though he professed to be a perfect stranger to her. He denies all complicity in the affair and claims ability to prove an alibi.

The police claim to have a complete chain of circumstantial evidence against him.

An Application Denied.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Application was recently made to the treasury department for an allowance of drawback on tin plate scraps resulting from the manufacture of imported plate into various articles. It was represented that such an allowance would promote the manufacture of articles for which tin plate is used as material, and that it would be without danger to the revenue, as no domestic tin plate enters into such manufacture. Assistant Secretary Maynard denied the application for reason that it was not authorized by law.

Anti-Saloon Republican Conference.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—A number of senators met at the residence of Senator Palmer last evening to confer with Albert Griffin, chairman of the anti-saloon republicans' national committee, of New York, with reference to the anti-saloon proposition of Senator Palmer looking toward national prohibition. No effort was made to take any formal steps in the matter, as the purpose of the meeting was simply to have a free interchange of views on the subject.

Extra Territorial Crime.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The state department has issued a volume of 1-6 pages on "Extra Territorial Crime," with reference of course to the celebrated Cutting case. The whole history of this case is given, together with all the laws of all countries bearing on extra territorial jurisdiction. The volume accompanies the request of the governor made to the Mexican government for the repeal of modification of the statute under which Cutting was imprisoned.

Will Break the Old Coke Pool.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 10.—At a meeting of the Independent Coke Producer's association, held yesterday at Connellsville, each member pledged has individual support to a new organization, which will consist of the old Producers' association, with the addition of J. W. Moore and Rainey & Cochrane. A Pittsburg office will be established and the coke pooled and put on the market independently of the syndicate.

Bennett's Fine Shooting.

BOSTON, Dec. 10.—F. E. Bennett shot yesterday at Walnut Hill the fifth string in his series of six in six consecutive days. He made 868 points in a possible 1,000, and, with the exception of the first day's score, made the highest aggregate thus far. The result of the five days' shooting gives Mr. Bennett a total of 4,256 points in a possible 5,000, leaving him an excess of 91 points to draw from to make his 841 to-day.

Coal Goes Up in New Jersey.

RED BANK, N. J., Dec. 10.—Scarcity of coal has been felt in Monmouth county for the past month. In Red Bank the dealers have experienced less trouble in getting enough to supply their customers than at places which get their coal by railroad. Within a month the price has been forced up from $1.50 to $2 per ton higher. In Red Bank the present price is $6.50 for the same coal that sold for $4.75 three weeks ago.

Completely Destroyed by Fire.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Fire was discovered in the Burdett house, Great Bend, about 10 o'clock last night. The flames spread rapidly to Newman's house, to the Newman and Deleware blocks, then to Wolcott's sash and blind factory, all of which were completely destroyed. The losses are estimated as high as $35,000. Eight families were rendered homeless.

Assignee of the Vocalion Company.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 10.—The court of insolvency yesterday heard the petition in insolvency of the Hamilton Vocalion Organ manufacturing company. Horace B. Fry, of New York, was the choice for assignee. It was stated that the assets in this state were $25,000. The court then ordered that $30,000 bonds be given by the assignee.

Burglars Make a Call.

CONCORD, Dec., 10.—While Mr. Augustus P. Chamberlain, in company with his wife, was attending a fair in the center of the town last evening his residence was visited by burglars and articles of the value of $12,000 or $15,000 were taken. The servants were in the house at the time.

To Succeed Bishop Shanahan.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.—The *Catholic Standard* has received a cable despatch from Rome announcing that the Rev. Thos. McGovern, rector of St. Joseph's church, Danville, Pa., has been appointed to the See of Harrisburg, to succeed the late Bishop Shanahan.

Most Out on Bail.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Anarchist Most was admitted to bail yesterday in the sum of $5,000, Mrs. Hoffman again qualifying in that amount for him. After his release he went at once to the office of the *Freiheit*, and shortly after the "growler" was in active motion."

Sporting Notes.

The American turf congress meets in Cincinnati next week. It is composed of western running associations.

Mr. Robert Bonner has taken the queen of the turf, Maud S., to New York, and is driving her double with Pequard.

Jack Havlin is looking for another customer, and his backer has commissioned a New York friend to make a match on his behalf with either Tommy Danforth or Jack Farrell.

It is reported that Jake Kilrain has written to friends in New York that he feels sure of winning with Jem Smith, and that he will either leave the field a victor or come home in a coffin. It is to be hoped that Jake will prove the victor.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 9, 1887.

Atkinson, Miss M A	Mullins, Miss Annie (2)
Brown, Harry	Peterson, Mrs Josie
Buckler James	Randolph, Mrs Jessie
Combes, Mrs H G	Rionce, Mrs Jane
Drake, A M	Robson, Miss Lucy
Euler, Mr F	Shultice, Mr Wm
Flagg, Miss Emily L	Scott, Mrs M J A
Felker, Miss Rebecca	Stansberry, Mrs Maria
Gardner, Peter	Scribner, Mrs Katie
Herenden, Mrs Ida (2)	Taylor, Jennie
Jackson, Miss Alice B	Thompson, Miss M H
Lane, Mrs Annie	Thompson, Miss May
McFarlie, L D	Wood, Geo M
Morris, Miss	Wilson, Mr K R
Martin, Miss Katie	Ward, Miss Maggie

persons calling for above please say advertised.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

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NEW YORK MAILS.

CLOSE—8.00 and 10.00 a. m.; 2.00 and 5.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—7.30, 8.50, 11.45 a. m.; 2.30, 5.30 p. m.

SOMERVILLE, EASTON, ETC., MAILS.

CLOSE—7.30 a. m. and 4.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—8.50 a. m. and 6.30 p. m.

SUNDAY MAILS.

Arrive at 5.10 a. m. Office open from 9.30 a. m. to 10.30 a. m. Mail closes at 7 p. m.

Mail for Warrenville closes Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 m.

Post Office opens at 7 a. m. and closes at 7.30 p. m. Saturdays closes at 8.00 p. m. Open every evening until 8.30 p. m., to owners of lock boxes.

Owners of lock-boxes coming without their keys will please apply for their mail at the Side Delivery Windows.

Office Closed after 10 A.M. on all National Holidays.

Money order office open from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Saturdays to 4 p. m.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

$8,000 TO LOAN ON BOND AND MORTgage—improved property. Walter L. Hetfield. 12-10-2d

TREES, WINTER-BLOOMING PLANTS, CUT Flowers, Balsam Pillows, Xmas Wreaths and Repings. For sale at Denton's, Hillside Ave.

GOOD INVESTMENT—HOUSE IN PLAINfield, near Depot; 8 rooms; large lot; title perfect. $3,500—$1,500 can remain. Box 62, Scotch Plains.

TO LET—HOUSE CORNER SIXTH AND Division Streets, furnished or unfurnished; for boarding or private use: in good order; all improvements. Rent very low to responsible parties. Apply to Mrs. E. D. Eaton, Division Street, between 5th and 6th. 12-6-tf

TRY THE "O. A. F." CIGAR; MADE FROM the finest Havana filler, without a particle of artificial flavoring. The best 5-cent cigar in the world. 11-16-tf

FURNISHED ROOMS, FOR GENTLEMEN only, over the Post Office. ELIZABETH SCHORB. 9-22-tf

FOR SALE—MY PROPERTY ON WEST SECond Street. Price Moderate. Terms easy. T. H. TOMLINSON, M. D. 20-6-tf

FOR SALE—A SECOND-HAND, TWO HORSE "Peerless" power. In good order. Sold cheap, for want of use. Apply S. B. WHEELER, Netherwood Farm, Plainfield, N. J. 6-22-tf

FOR SALE—THE LOT SOUTH-EAST CORNER of Jackson avenue and Somerset street, about 160 feet square. For price and terms apply to O'REILLY BROS., Archt's and Storage Warehouse, from 109 to 123 E. 44th street N. Y. city.—my20tf

MUSIC HALL!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12th.

The Event of the Season!

EDWARD J. HENLEY'S GRAND ENGLISH COMPANY PRESENTING

Deacon Brodie,

OR THE

Double Life.

By Robert Louis Stevenson, (author of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde,") and Wm. Ernest Henley.

Edward J. Henley as Deacon Brodie.

SALE OF TICKETS AT USUAL PLACES. 12-10-2d

GRAND FAIR!

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, will hold a *FAIR* and *FESTIVAL* in the *NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL HALL*, on

Tuesday Evening and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Afternoons & Evenings,

DECEMBER 13, 14, 15 and 16.

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HE WAS HORSEWHIPPED

THREE GIRLS MAKE IT LIVELY FOR AN INDIANA EDITOR.

His Paper Was Entirely Too Personal in Regard to Local Affairs and He Thereby Gets Into Trouble.

HAMMOND, Ind., Dec. 10.—The *Evening Echo* was started in this town by Porter C. Towle, a brother of Mayor M. M. Towle. It has been veey personal in its affairs of local interest. A short time ago the young ladies of the high school petitioned Trustee C. N. Towle, another brother of the editor of the *Echo*, for a stove. He refused to furnish one, and Editor Towle, in his paper, called the girls brainless and silly.

The *Weekly Tribune* published on Tuesday the following:

"The editor of the *Echo* evidently imagines every one but himself to have a silly brain. He is nothing but a mass of conceit, and if you will but notice you will perceive that he belongs to the club footed race. The secret of this is, he has a soft spot in his head, and that his brains have sunk into his heels. B. B. J."

The authors of this were easily identified as Misses Belle Gattone, Bertis Hammond, and Julia Polier, all of the best families here. Editor Towle yesterday devoted two-thirds of a column in the *Echo* to a reply. He did not mention names, but he asserted that the girls were of bad character and readers of a prostitute's paper; he designated the girls as things, said they wore long dresses to hide their big feet, and were homely enough to stop a clock.

The article created a sensation in the city. The fathers and brothers of the girls threatened to execute vengeance on Towle. The young ladies of the high school were in such a flutter of excitement that studies were suspended, and nothing talked of but how they should punish their slanderer.

Last evening at 6 o'clock Editor Towle left his office to go home. He had just passed the Morton house, when he met seven young ladies, members of the high school, three of them the ones he had attacked. They carried rawhide whips of the cowboy pattern. Towle's face blanched and he turned to flee, but the girls formed a circle around him so that his escape was cut off.

They then threw red pepper in his eyes and the aggressive three little maids rushed in, raised the horsewhips and showered blows on his head and shoulders. Towle threw up his hands and shouted:

"Don't girls! for God's sake don't!"

The three continuing the punishment without mercy, he threatened to shoot them, but the girls jeered him and applied the whips the faster. Finally he broke through the ranks, and made his escape. He fled into Charles Cleveland's yard, and took refuge in an outhouse, locking the door. Here here mained while a great crowd gathered around.

At last the coast was partially clear, and he ran out and got to his home.

One story is that the girls are to be arrested. Another story is that he has gone west on the night train to escape what he fears will be more severe punishment. Citizens threaten not to allow the *Echo* to again come out unless a full and complete retraction and apology is made to the young ladies.

Leading citizes are said to be getting up a purse to present some jewelry to the three girls who so used the whips.

SUSPICIOUS OF CHOLERA.

Fears That the Elysia Brought Infected Italians to New Orleans.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 10.—Dr. Rauch, secretary of the state board of health, upon learning that the Elysia had arrived at New Orleans with 600 emigrants from the cholera infected districts of Italy, telegraphed Dr. Joseph Holt, president of the Louisiana state board of health, asking about the truth of the report. Holt replied:

"Steamship Elysia left Palermo, November 6, with 614 emigrant passengers, and an English surgeon on board. Clean bill of health; no case of sickness on voyage; vessel exceptionally clean. Arrived at quarantine December 3, detained three days. Extra careful disinfection of every article of baggage, ship apparel, and entire vessel. Reports from surgeon, captain, and from Washington indicate no cholera in Italy during past month."

On receipt of the above, Dr. Rauch sent the following: "Regret that you did not detain the Elysia and her passengers longer. Twice has cholera been introduced into this country via New Orleans at this season of the year. No reliance at this time on the reports of the surgeon, captain, and Washington authorities in regard to the existence of cholera in Italy during the past month. Why was the Elysia sent to New Orleans instead of to New York?

Recognized as Mrs. Spies.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—A card will be issued by the Chicago public library to-day to Nina Van Zandt under the name of Mrs. A. Spies. The library is under control of the city government, and when several days ago she applied for permission to draw books as Mrs. Spies, the managers were undecided as to the propriety of granting her request, and thus giving a quasi-official recognition of the validity of the proxy marriage. They sought legal advice, but with no definite result. To-day it was decided in the absence of any well-defined objection, to give out the card as applied for to Mrs. N. Spies.

Hurled from a Scaffold.

ALTON, Ill., Dec. 10.—At an icehouse near Alton yesterday, while eight men were at work on a high scaffold raising a truss-beam into position by means of a derrick, the beam fell, crushing the scaffold and hurling the men down with it. Frederick Groshem, of Upper Alton, was instantly killed. The other seven men were seriously injured.

Gov. Bodwell Dying.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 10.—Gov. Bodwell is very near his end. His physicians say that his death is a question of but a few hours. He is suffering from acute pneumonia, complicated with neuralgia of the heart. He lies most of the time in a semi-comatose condition. When conscious he suffers great pain.

Another Haddock Murderer Acquitted.

SIOUX CITY, Dec. 10.—The Arensdorf jury reported at 9 o'clock last evening, the verdict being "not guilty." Arensdorf was one of the men indicted for complicity in the murder of a temperance advocate named Haddock, a year ago, in the streets of Sioux city.

Sold to the Standard Oil Company.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec. 10.—The Toledo Oil company, which had a refinery here for coal oil, sold out yesterday to the Standard Oil company for $100,000. This ends the Toledo competition with the Standard.

Scarlet Fever in Paterson.

PATERSON, Dec. 10.—Six deaths have been reported in this city from scarlet fever since Thursday morning.

LATE EUROPEAN NEWS

A LETTER FROM THE CROWN PRINCE.

He Says His Health is Good and He's Not Disheartened—M. Goblet Gives Way to Fallieres.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—It is stated on what is said to be reliable authority that the doctors attending the German crown prince have not changed their opinion as regards his case, and that the recent optimist views are baseless.

Counc…r Hintzpeter, formerly tutor of Prince William, has published the following letter received by him from the Crown Prince, written on the 4th instant:

"I am able to inform you that the treatment which the physicians prescribed after consulting together has entirely removed the inflammation, and caused the dangerous symptoms to subside. Meanwhile, my bodily health has been excellent. I have never lost strength, my appetite is good, and my general appearance is that of perfect health. I purposely communicate these details to you because it appears to me beyond a doubt that exaggerated accounts have been circulated of the appearance of a fresh growth of unfavorable character. God will determine the course which the disease shall take. The treatment is intrusted to most eminent experts, who, in spite of all attacks levelled against them, possess my full confidence. I am in no way disheartened, and I hope one day to be able, though perhaps only after a long period of careful treatment, once more to devote my powers to the service of the Fatherland."

UNABLE TO FORM A CABINET.

M. Goblet So Notifies the President and M. Fallieres is Appealed to.

PARIS, Dec. 10.—M. Goblet has informed President Carnot that, owing to the refusal of several statesmen to join him, he is unable to form a cabinet. The president, therefore, made another appeal to M. Fallieres to undertake the task.

It is definitely known that M. Fallieres will attempt to form a cabinet. The report is also confirmed that his ministry will include several members of the late government, including M. Rouvier, M. Flourens and Gen. Ferron.

The radical group will meet soon to discuss the attitude to be taken by the party toward the next cabinet.

Scotchmen Uphold Irland's Cause.

GLASGOW, Dec 10.—The delegates of the Scotch home rule Union who have been making a tour of Ireland have returned, and report that the Irish people are eager for peace, that their demands are moderate, and that the national league is the chief agency for the maintenance of law and order. The delegates declare that the measure taken by the present English government are ineffective, and irritate the mass of the Irish nation.

Students Attack Authorities.

MOSCOW, Dec. 10.—A large crowd of university students made an attack yesterday on M. Brighaloff, the government inspector. They also hissed Count Kapnist, the rector of the university, and engaged in other riotous demonstrations. Finally a force of Cossack's was called out to suppress the disturbance. Several hundred of the students were arrested.

Sullivan May Receive Callers.

DUBLIN, Dec. 10.—Lord Mayor Sullivan, who is a prisoner in Tullamore jail, has been notified that he will be allowed to receive visitors for two hours daily, without the presence of a warder, provided he promises that no documents shall pass between himself and his visitors.

Vanderbilt Visits the Sultan.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 10.—The Vanderbilt party and another party of Americans yesterday witnessed the Selamlik ceremony. The Sultan sent a message to United States Minister Strauss, who was also present, that he would receive the visitors.

Sullivan Introduced to the Prince.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—John L. Sullivan boxed with "Jack" Ashton in the presence of the prince of Wales last night. The famous pugilist was introduced to the prince, who expressed himself as delighted with the performance.

The Emperor's Father Said to be Dead.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 10.—It is reported that Prince Chung, the Emperor's father, is dead. He exercised a large and controlling influence at court, but was in harmony with the Viceroy, Li Hung Chung.

More Arming in Russia.

CRACOW, Dec. 10.—Orders have been issued to place the fifth, seventh, eighth, and eleventh Russian army corps on a war footing.

DESTROYED BY EARTHQUAKE.

The Town of Bavispe Engulfed and Many Lives Lost.

NOGALES, Ari., Dec. 10.—Reports from Bavispe, the scenes of the recent earthquake, say that the town has been destroyed and many lives lost.

The earthquakes have been of daily occurrence, except during intervals of two weeks, during which time the people built temporary shanties of refuge on the hills. During the cessation some adobe houses were erected, but were soon destroyed.

The streams opened by the first great shocks are still flowing.

The people are still wild with terror and are starving. The provisions and supplies received from public and private sources are exhausted, and the entire vicinity is destitute of provisions and clothing.

The Farmer Kept His Word.

CADILLA, Mich., Dec. 10.—The Toledo and Ann Arbor railroad men were warned not to cross the farm of a man named Chapin, near here, and were told that they would be shot if they did not keep off. They did not heed the warning, and one man was shot in the abdomen and another was shot in the head. It is thought that both will die.

His Time Will Be Divided.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—The famous fight for possession of the son and heir of Leslie Carter was decided in Judge Jamison's court this morning. The Judge ordered that the child be given to the relatives of the respective parents during alternate months.

The Authorities Say it Was a Hoax.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 10.—The military authorities here say that the story circulated last night of an attempt to explode the gun cotton tank at George's Island was a hoax.

Divorced Himself with a Bullet.

MONTROSE, Ia., Dec. 10.—Thomas Ellis, Jr., who was being sued for divorce by his wife, went to her house yesterday, shot her fatally and killed himself.

NINA IS NOT AN HEIRESS.

She Only Gave Spies Her Wealth of Affection, Trust and Reverence.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—The following letter is published in the *Labor Enquirer* yestereay afternoon under date of 6th inst.

To the Editor:

I do not refute the hireling liars of the crazy jackal capitalistic press. In the first place, I never read these papers myself.

In the second, they are not worth answering, but I have just been told a tale rehearsed by the scandal-mongers. To think that there are people who read such stuff which I recognize as having originated in the hallucinations of a society madwoman to whom I am unfortunately related.

Now I do not consider it in good taste to parade private affairs before the public, but I wish to state once for all that the tale is untrue. It is to the effect that I was an heiress to an estate owned by an aunt in Pittsburg and that upon my marriage was summarily disinherited and left to pine.

Now when I joined hands in spirit—for a cowardly, petty, autocrat (hireling murder variety) did not permit us to see each other except through an iron network for eight weary, dreadful weeks afterwards—with my beloved husband he well knew that I brought him only myself with a wealth of affection, trust and reverence.

He knew that a number of years ago I had refused to pose as the prospective heiress to some property gained by methods of which I do not approve, and owned by a person whom I could not, knowing her, respect. Respectfully,

NINA VAN ZANDT-SPIES.

336 East Huron street.

Joseph R. Buchanan, editor of the *Enquirer*, is the leading spirit in the anarchist relief fund and the knights of labor revolt.

Turks Trying to Gain Admittance.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—On the steamship Parisians' last trip to the St. Lawrence, she landed at Levis among her immigrants a dozen or so of the most squalid looking beings, in the shape of men, women and children, that have been seen here in a long time. It is thought that the unfortunate creatures, who have been wandering about the outskirts of Levis for the last fortnight, living on charity, must be Turks or natives of the Turkish principality, as they speak no language that anyone here is conversant with. It is said that they are on their way to the back door of the United States, hoping to gain admittance to that country in order to trade in articles of brass and nickel jewelry, of which they have a large stock.

G. A. R. to Meet at Columbus, O.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 10—The national administration council of G. A. R. has selected Wednesday, Sept. 12, as the day and Columbus as the place of the national encampment. The question of the character and cost of the proposed memorial to the memory of the late General Grant at Washington was discused, and the committee expressed the opinion that a sum not greater than $30,000 should be devoted to this purpose, and that the memorial shall be characterized by simplicity rather than size and cost.

Another Infernal Machine.

TOPEKA, Kansas, Dec. 10.—U. S. Marshal Jones received by mail Thursday night a small tin box. Efforts were made to open it by Colonel Jones, ex-Governor Glick and Deputy Marshal Sharrett. The cover was finally removed, when the contents were found to be nitro-glycerine in sufficient quantity to have blown up the building and killed a dozen men. No clue to the perpetrator or his motive can be given. The box was wrapped in a Denver *Republican*, dated December 6. The postmark was illegible.

Knighted By the Pope.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Charles L. Webster, the publisher of this city, has been knighted by Pope Leo XIII. The dignity was conferred through Archbishop Corrigan last Saturday. Mr. Webster is now a knight of the Order of Pius, a rank created by the late pope. This distinction was conferred upon Mr. Webster because of the book he recently caused to be published here and in England on the life of the pope. The work necesitated a journey to Rome, where Mr. Webster had an audience with the pope.

What the Atlanta Needs.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Captain Bunce's report in regard to alterations necessary to be made in the Atlanta was made public today. Its contents have already been published. Secretary Whitney in his indorsement says: "That the Atlanta should have some continuous service before any changes are made. Aside from the lack of speed, which I considers a fault, she represents a type with merits and defects and the balance can only be struck after she has had service."

Ku Klux Outrages.

CHATTANOOGA, Dec. 10.—Word reached here yesterday that the members of the Ku Klux in Smith county, who attacked four men on Monday night and had a fight with Tollkeeper Jones, at Riddleton, raided that section Thursday night, whipped two colored men almost to death, and burned Jones' house. The residents of the vicinity are organizing an armed band to pursue the gang, and a desperate conflict is anticipated.

Saved From the Scholten.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Three cabin passengers, Henry R. Kenyon, of Providence R. I.; Charles Mills and C. Broumobsky, and twenty-seven steerage passengers of the ill-fated steamer W. A. Scholten, arrived last night by the steamer P. Caland, of the same line. They spoke in the highest terms of the bravery exhibited by the captain and crew of the Scholten when the collision occurred.

An Unexpected Fortune Turns Up.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Miss Theresa Brennan, a young lady employed in the Englewood exchang, yesterday received official notification that she and her brother were heirs to $15,000 each. The money was left by an uncle, John Brophy, who died seven years ago in California, and the cash has been lying in a Canadian bank drawing interest ever since.

The Weir-Warren Fight.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 10.—Betting on the Tommy Warren-Ike Weir fight is about even, and some considerable sums have been posted. Jim Keenan, Weir's backer, arrived from Boston last night. Warren will be here to-day. John Donaldson will second Weir, and John P. Clow will perform like service for Warren.

Wreck on the Cincinnati Southern.

CHATTANOOGA, Dec. 10.—Two freight trains on the Cincinnati Southern railroad collided yesterday morning at Darwin, Tenn. The engine of the rear train over turned, crushing the fireman, Wm. Hutsell, to death, and maiming the engineer, David O'Donnell, for life.

The Last Tow of the Season.

ALBANY, Dec. 10.—The last tow of the season up the Hudson River will reach this city to-day, when heavy freight transportation on the river will virtually cease.

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Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

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Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9.29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

A Resolution Made to Advance the Price of Admission to the Game.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 10.—The American association delegates began their work yesterday. They did not appear to be much worried, and the work was pushed forward with a will. The first thing taken up was the rate of admission to the games.

Delegate Robinson, of the Cleveland club introduced a resolution to advance the rate of admission from 25 to 50 cents. The visiting club will not be governed by this rule, as a provision was made which permits that club to charge whatever it pleases.

A special meeting of the base ball scorers of the country was held in the Grand hotel yesterday. The newspaper men recognize that the manner in which the games have been reported was not wholly satisfactory. The scores differ in certain points.

The association was named the National Base Ball Reporters of the United States and a resolution was made to appoint a committee to notify the American association delegates.

The eighth club matter was warmly discussed, and it was finally referred to a committee consisting of Vanderhorst of Baltimore, Robinson of Cleveland and Abell of Brooklyn. No application was made for the franchise. The meeting then adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

Charged With the Robbing of Bennett.

FARMINGTON, Me., Dec. 10.—Deputy sheriff Alonzo Sylvester and Asher D. Horn, of Farmington, arrived here early this morning with two men whom they arrested at Rumford Centre, in Oxford county, on suspicion of committing the East Newport robbery in Bennett's house. The men are now in Farmington jail, and it is said a large amount of the stolen property was found on their persons.

Killed by a Limited Express.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 10.—William Leatup, of No. 773 State street, was instantly killed last night at the Union depot by the limited express from New York. He had gone to the depot to escort his daughter.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

It is stated that Russia has agreed to accept the Duke of Grothland, second son of the King of Sweden, for the throne of Bulgaria in place of Ferdinand.

About fifty saloonkeepers were arrested at New Haven, Conn., last night, charged with selling liquor on election day. They will have a hearing in court to-day.

Suit was begun at Kansas City, Mo., yesterday, against the Wabash railway, by Henry Skiles, for the recovery of forty acres of land valued at $10,000,000.

Patrick C. Hull, a wealthy man of Canton, O., and a son of General McGuffy were killed while driving across the track of the Cleveland and Pittsburg road.

Luther J. Shafer was convicted of murder in the first degree at Lock Haven, Pa., yesterday, for the killing of Mrs. Noah Culvey in Logan township on Sunday, Aug. 7.

Henry Anderson was seriously injured by the premature explosion of a blast while in the Haddock mine, near Wilkesbarre, Pa., yesterday. It is feared that he cannot recover.

A brakeman named William Hayes on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad fell from a train at Wilmington, Del., yesterday and sustained injuries that resulted in death.

Thomas White, who killed a colored pugilist named Harry Woodson, alias the "Black Diamond," was convicted of manslaughter at Chicago yesterday and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

A census of the city of Charleston, S. C., just completed, shows a total population of 62,350, a gain of nearly four per cent. since the city census of 1885. The white population is 27,543 and the colored 33,414.

The grand jury of Wayne county, Pa., have indicted Sheriff Mediand and Deputy Sheriffs Clark and Mediand for gross negligence in allowing murderer McCabe to escape from jail. McCabe was recaptured and hanged.

The Illinois railroad and warehouse commission has reported to Gov. Oglesby in regard to the Chatsworth train wreck that the railroad is censurable for neglect in failing to inspect the condition of the track and bridges in advance of the trains.

Alfred L. Flocken, confidential bookkeeper for Secomb, Kehew & Co., oil dealers of Boston, was arrested in that city yesterday, charged with embezzling over $9,000 from his employers. He disappeared about a month ago and went to Montreal, but returned.

Old silver and articles of virtu, valued at between $12,000 and $15,000, were stolen from the home of Mr. Augustus P. Chamberlain, of Concord, Mass., while he and his wife were attending a fair at the centre of the town Thursday night. The servants were in the house at the time.

Frank Bradway twelve years old, has confessed that he accidentally fired the shot that killed his eight-year-old cousin, Humphrey Bradway, son of Stephen Bradway, recently, at Stephentown, N. Y. It was reported that the fatality resulted from the explosion of a cartridge placed in a hot stove.

Weather Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10, 6 a. m.—The weather indications for New York, New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are: Warmer, rain, light to fresh easterly winds.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Money on call 5 per cent.

BONDS.

		Closing, Yesterday.	Closing, To-day.
4½s.	1891, reg.	107½	107¾
4½,	1891, con.	107½	107¾
4c,	1907, reg.	124¼	124¾
4s,	1907, con.	125¼	125¾

STOCK MARKET.

THREE O'CLOCK.—The market was dull and featureless during the greater part of the afternoon. The bears appeared to have halted temporarily and allowed the market for a time to have its own way.

CLOSING PRICES.

	Closing, Yesterday.	Closing, To-day.
Canadian Pacific	55½	57½
Chicago, Bur. & Q.	126	128
Central Pacific	36¼	37
Del & Hud	10[illegible]	108¾
Del Lack & W	128½	129¼
Erie	28½	29¼
Erie pref	67	66½
Lake Shore	94¼	94¾
Louis & Nash	61½	61¾
Mich Central	87½	87½
Missouri Pacific	89	89½
N Y & New Eng	38¼	37¾
New Jersey Cen	07¾	75¼
N Y Central & Hud	106¾	118¾
Northwestern	108	107½
Oregon Nav	87½	—
Pacific Mail	07½	37
Reading	114¼	67½
Rock Island	74½	112
St Paul	35½	75¾
Union Pacific	76¾	57¾
West Union Tel	74½	77¾

Butter—Market firm: Creamery—Eastern 24ca27c: Western 27ca30c: Elgin, 30ca32c; imitation, 23ca24c, Dairy — Eastern, half-firkin tubs, 24ca25c; Eastern, Welsh tubs, 21ca23c; Eastern firkin, 20 a22c: Eastern, diaries entire, 20ca2 c Western, 1 ca21c; Factory—Fresh 21c a23c; June packed, 15ca17c; low grades, 7ca9c.

Cheese—Market steady, Factory—New York cheddar, 11½ca11¾c; Western, flat, 11½ca11¾c Creamery, New York, part skims, 8ca9c; Penn-ylvania, skims, 1ca2c; state skims, 3ca7c.

Eggs—Market firm on fresh Fresh—Eastern, firsts, 27c; Canadian firsts, 21ca22c: Western firsts, 24ca25c: Limed—Eastern, firsts, 17½c a18c; Western, firsts, 17ca17½c; Canadian, firsts, 17ca17¼; held firsts, 20ca22c.

They sat together in the sun
And Youth and Hope stood hovering near,
Like dropping bell-notes one by one
Chimed the glad moments soft and clear;
And still amid their happy speech,
The lovers whispered each to each:
"Forever!"

Youth spread his wings of rainbow light,
"Farewell!" he whispered as he went.
They heeded not nor mourned his flight,
Wrapped in their measureless content;
And still they smiled, and still was heard
The confidently-uttered word:
"Forever!"

Hope stayed, her steadfast smile was sweet,
Until the even-time she stayed;
Then, with reluctant, noiseless feet
She stole into the solemn shade;
A graver shape moved gently by,
And bent and murmured warningly:
"Forever!"

And then—where sat the two, sat one!
No voice spoke back, no glance replied;
Behind her, where she rested lone,
Hovered the spectre, solemn-eyed;
She met his look without a thrill
And smiling faintly whispered still:
"Forever!"

O, sweet, sweet Youth! O, fading Hope!
O, eyes by tearful mists made blind!
O, hands which vainly reach and grope
For a familiar touch and kind,
Time pauseth for no lover's kiss;
Love for its solace has but this:
"Forever!"

—*Susan Coolidge, in N. Y. Independent.*

SOME CURIOUS FINDS.

Treasures and Curios Yielded Up in Singular Ways.

The sea sometimes yields up part of its treasures in a curious and unexpected way, as was instanced lately by the discovery of a richly jeweled ring in the back of a herring caught at Dunbar. The finder, says a writer in *Chambers' Journal*, was still luckier than a servant in Port-Glasgow, who, in cutting up some whiting, found a silver coin in one of them.

Two curious finds connected with nautical affairs should have an interest for Englishmen. Some old canvas that had long been stowed away as lumber, on being unexpectedly brought to light, was found to be the mainsail of Nelson's ship the Victory. The sail was riddled with shot fired during the battle of Trafalgar. When some men were sawing a portion of an old ship's mainmast formerly belonging to a man-of-war at Chatham, a thirty-two-pound iron shot was observed embedded in the mast, the aperture having been plugged up. This was one of the largest kind of shot used in those days.

In a lake in Berkshire a large, misshapen and unwieldy chub was found, so strange in appearance and unsightly in its movements, that the most apt zoologist could not account for its lineal descent or say if it was piscatory or amphibious. The creature was found in a kind of cage formed by the washed roots of an elm-tree by this lake. When young and much smaller, this fish must have got into its strange prison. Limited to a mere turn, the wonder is that—as it must have forced its way in—it did not force its way out; but here it was, after years must have lapsed, taking quite the form of the gnarled and struggling roots. With no room to develop, the tail had almost disappeared, the dorsal fin was altogether obliterated, the body had become very hard, and the scales like so much incrustation of mud divided into layers. The nose was so pushed in and the gills so enlarged that, when looked at full in the face, it had the appearance of a negro whose face had been despoiled of its shining and oily surface. Indeed, its existence was a matter of marvel, as the water subsided and increased at times, so that in dry weather it had only the most muddy home and a semi-fluid for its subsistence. When removed, it seemed a puzzle to know whether to class this strange discovery as a reptile, fish, or any thing else.

Another proof how nature has her own way of accommodating herself to the most extraordinary conditions of life, is afforded by the following incident. A lady lost her gold ring. Some three years afterwards, the loser's cat caught a rat, from which pussy had eaten the head. The neck of the rat was exposed, and the owner of the cat saw something metallic glittering on the rat's neck. On examination this proved to be the lost wedding-ring embedded in the flesh. The ring must have been carried by the old rat to its nest, and a very young rat must have thrust its head into the ring. As the animal grew larger each day, its novel collar would become a fixture. The wonder is how nature continued to permit her living demands to be supplied through such a small circumference, yet the creature lived, was fat, and looked healthy.

Cats in their hunting expeditions sometimes meet with an untoward fate. The writer saw the mummy-like remains of one of these animals which had been discovered in altering an old building. From its peculiar appearance, the unfortunate creature had evidently been suddenly crushed flat, for, in its dying agonies, its teeth had almost bitten through a piece of wood about a couple of inches square, which was still embedded in its jaws. Some of our readers may recollect the discovery of a petrified cat in the crevice of an old stone wall, during some repairs in Newgate jail. In the opinion of a naturalist, this curiosity must have been in a petrified condition for some hundreds of years.

As some workmen were felling timber near Herne Bay, they discovered in the center of one of the trees a cavity in which were the remains of a cat. The skeleton was entire, and some hair of a sandy color yet remained on the skin. It is conjectured that the animal, having entered a hollow part of the tree, was unable to extricate itself, and the wood in process of years had grown around it.

Curious finds have not unfrequently been made in trees. Some wood-cutters in the forest of Dromming made a strange discovery. They began to fell a venerable oak, which they soon found to be quite hollow. Being half decayed, it speedily came to the ground with a crash, disclosing a skeleton in excellent preservation; even the boots, which came above the knee, were perfect. By its side were a powder-horn, a porcelain pipe-bowl and a silver watch. The teeth were perfect. It would seem to be a skeleton of a man between thirty and forty years of age. It is conjectured that, while engaged in hunting, he climbed the tree for some purpose, and slipped into the hollow trunk, from which there was no release, and he probably died of starvation. Another mystery was found in the heart of an oak. From a tree of this kind, a large block, about eighteen inches in diameter, that had been knocking about in various yards and woodsheds, was split up lately, and in it was found an auger-hole about three-fourths of an inch in size, containing a bunch of human hair done up in a piece of printed paper. The hair was near the center of the block, and fastened in with a pine plug. It was apparently put in when the tree was quite small, as the tree had grown over the plug to the thickness of about four inches, with the grain perfectly smooth and straight.

A natural curiosity was shown in a [illegible], this was the nest and skeleton of a bird embedded in a piece of beech. The timber seemed quite sound all round the cavity, and there was no sign of any aperture into it; but the timber being sawn up, the nest with the bird sitting upon it was found. The nest appeared to be built with mud, and the bird resembled a titmouse. Probably, at the lopping of a branch, a cavity was formed, and the outside subsequently grown over; but how the bird was enclosed seemed difficult to imagine.

In the center of a log of Honduras mahogany the saw revealed a large piece of honeycomb. The finder says the wax with the cells was hard, and resembled in color and appearance a mummy. The remains of the bees were incrusted in the wax. Another log of mahogany was being cut in veneers by a cabinetmaker, when his attention was attracted by the appearance of a remarkable and striking profile of her Majesty in a knot in the wood. The likeness was so true, that all who saw it acknowledged the resemblance. Had this curiosity only been discovered in the present year, we might have had Jubilee mahogany added to the never-ending list of articles so distinguished.

So often have toads been found inclosed in solid bodies, that it is not surprising to read in a Scottish paper that a servant while breaking a large piece of coal for the fire, was startled to find in the centre of the block, a full-grown toad, which appeared to be in excellent health and spirits. A less common discovery was made in Birkenhead. A gentleman there was presented with a cow's tongue which appeared to be perfect in every respect. After the tongue was boiled, he discovered a piece of sandstone embedded in it, about three-quarters of an inch in length, half an inch in width, and a quarter of an inch in thickness.

Some curious discoveries of valuable articles occur from time to time. For instance, a singular literary discovery was made at a monastery in the island of St. Lazarus, at Venice. A pet monkey had climbed to the top of a bookcase, and was amusing himself in imitating a venerable monk, who was trying to induce him to decend. The animal, in a sudden freak, seized a bundle of papers, and breaking the string, showered down on the father's head a number of letters the ink of which had become yellow with age. They were said to be a series of letters which Lord Byron wrote to the monks of St. Lazarus, with whom he had once resided.

An extraordinary instance of the recovery of a lost ring may be added to the list of curious finds. A lady when digging holes for planting celery, unconsciously dropped the ring into one of the holes. A plant was inserted, doubtless through the ring, and as the root grew, the ring must have become embedded in its substance. The ring had been given up for lost until the following winter, when the mystery was cleared up by the ring making its appearance among the soup at dinner in a portion of the celery root.

A woman employed as a rag-sorter lately met with a lucky find. While she was engaged in sorting a quantity of rags which had been in stock for a long time, having been sent from France, she came across something resembling a dress-improver, which she cut open, and found in it French coins and notes to the value of twenty-eight pounds, which became her property as the finder.

A very opportune discovery of money occurred to a distressed person in London. A distraint for arrears of rent to the amount of eighty pounds had been levied on some premises by the landlord, for which sum the whole of the household furniture had been condemned, and placed in vans for removal, with the exception of a chest of drawers of antique appearance, which had been left to the last from mere accident. On looking into one of the drawers, a small paper parcel was discovered, which was found to contain one hundred and fourteen old guineas of the reign of George III. The claim was of course soon discharged, and the furniture restored to its proper position.

But perhaps as curious a find as any was that which lately took place at the New British Iron Company's Works, Cradley Heath. Amongst a quantity of scrap-iron forwarded to the works was a disused malt mill. Upon some workmen placing the mill under a steam-hammer for the purpose of breaking and preparing it for the furnace, money was scattered in all directions from the mill. The find is said to have been about one hundred pounds, and the workmen were allowed by the manager to retain the money.

THREE QUEER STORIES.

How Old Grave-Stones Come Handy in Many Singular Ways.

Nothing goes on in an uninterrupted career in this world, and even grave-stones come now and then to strange uses, says the Boston *Courier*. In a village in Maine, for instance, a farmer having waxed in fortune until he was able to replace the slate grave-stones in his family burial lot by marble, was too thrifty to throw the old slabs away. He therefore utilized them as door stones, so that all visitors to the kitchen and the dairy trod upon inscriptions gradually fading away, which, with scriptural phrase and the cheerful overseeing of triangular-visaged cherubs, recorded the names, the virtues and the untimely taking off of the forefathers of the thrifty farmer.

In another Maine vilage is, or was, a boarding school for young ladies, in the kitchen of which a large, white marble slab, sacred to the memory of a worthy woman, whom it described as having died in the Lord, was used as a kneading-board. Now and then a loaf of bread after it was molded would rest for a moment or two on the deeply cut inscription, and the pupils averred—how truthfully the editor makes no pretense of being able to determine—that they had been able to decipher bits of the words printed on the bottom of the slices of bread.

But perhaps the most remarkable fate for a tombstone was that which befell the moss-grown slab in an English churchyard. An American parvenu of the same family name as that of the man whose death the stone recorded purchased the stone of a dishonest sexton and brought it home with her. It is now set in the wall of her sumptuously appointed New York library, beside a fictitious pedigree which lies to all beholders by tracing the family of the present owner back to that of the man whose name is on the stone. As he has been dead one hundred and seventy years he is probably beyond caring for such things, else Mrs. Parvenu might have good reason to expect a call from his ghost some night, come to reclaim his gravestone.

Mordecai and the Czar.

The late Major Mordecai, of North Carolina, during an audience with the Czar of Russia, of a somewhat informal and conversational nature, used the address "Monsieur;" having carried the interview forward, so far, in French. Turning to General McClelland, who stood near by, Major Mordecai suddenly exclaimed with a mighty and deep California oath; "Ha! I called the fellow 'mister.'". The Czar thereupon smiled, bowed, and said with a civilty that entered the Major's bones like ice: "I speak English quite well enough, sir, to continue our interview in that language, if you prefer it!"

ODD SUPERSTITIONS.

The Belief in Witchcraft in Indiana Sixty Years Ago.

About sixty years ago, says the Vevay (Ind.) *Reveille*, many of the people residing in the neighborhood of East Enterprise were possessed of a delusion that witches were a reality, and that a number of their neighbors were full-fledged witches, possessed of remarkable powers, even is saddling and bridling a man and with sharp spurs riding him all over the worst roads a distorted mind could imagine. The next morning the poor man would be so tired and sore that he could hardly move. At other times the housewife would churn half a day and would not get a particle of butter. The only remedy was to take an old horseshoe that had been worn on the left foot of a bald-face horse and heat it hot and drop it into the churn, which was pretty certain to expel the terrible witch.

One who tried the experiment said: "When I dropped the red-hot shoe into the churn I heard something run off the roof of the house, and I smelt hair just as sure as you are born, and in five minutes I had a churn nearly full of butter. The next day I saw the woman that I believe had bewitched the butter, and her hair was crisped on one side in the very shape of a horseshoe."

If the above remedy failed, the next thing to do was to draw a life-size picture of the supposed witch and nail it up on a tree, and then run a silver bullet out of a silver dollar and shoot the image. The last act was considered a complete cure. One of the ardent believers in witches, a man in the prime of life, possessed of fair sense in other matters, told in our hearing what a trying ordeal he had passed through a few evenings before. He had been to visit the sick, and was returning about ten o'clock, through the fields, often climbing high fences. Finally, as he got upon a high ten-rail fence, with one leg thrown over the top rail, he saw standing on the other side one whom he knew to be a "witch." She said nothing, but put a spell on him that riveted him to the spot, and he said that he was as speechless as Lot's wife when she was turned into salt. When daylight came the witch had vanished, and he got over the fence and went home. He says the top rail was a very sharp one, and he didn't get over his soreness for a month.

When the hens failed to hatch their eggs it was laid on the witches. The witches always did their worst work on Friday. If the rail fences fell down when they were covered with sleet and ice the witches were blamed with it. If a calf got choked on apples or potatoes the witches were responsible. It was a fact not to be wondered at that every one of these believers in witches believed the "world to be flat." Many of them would have hanged the supposed witches, as their ignorant forefathers did in an early day, if they had been possessed of the power. Two of the men swapped wives for a month or so and it was all laid at the doors of those terrible witches.

TELEPHONING BY PROXY.

A Domestic Scheme That Did Not Prove a Complete Success.

Herr Muller, the manufacturer, had returned from his honeymoon trip, relates a writer in *Fliegende Blætter*, and after a week of connubial bliss in the new home he awoke to the necessity of attending to his business, and so with heavy heart he said good-bye to his little wife and proceeded to his office, situated about a mile from the house. The long hours of separation from the partner of his joys and sorrows were, however, a severe trial to his fortitude, and he hit upon the expedient of connecting the house and his place of business by means of a telephone wire. And now sweet words of tenderest affection were exchanged between the loving couple every hour of the day. A week later the work of the office became more absorbing, and our manufacturer felt himself obliged to put a stop to this waste of time; besides he began to find that Ludmilla's cajoleries were growing somewhat tedious and commonplace. But he would not have his wife suspect this for worlds. His inventive genius found a way out of the difficulty. There was an old servant of the firm, Herr Kobes by name, almost past work, but retained to do odd jobs about the place. He was a queer old bachelor, with a red nose and a romantic turn of mind; for he was an adept at whispering soft nothings in the ears of young ladies, and fondly imagined the whole of the fair sex were in love with him. Besides, the tone of his voice had a striking resemblance to that of his principal. Herr Muller gave this man certain private instructions, and next morning Herr Kobes was duly installed at the telephone and engaged in an amorous conversation with his invisible partner, while his principal was busy with his correspondence. Quite contrary to Muller's expectation, Ludmilla appeared to take increasing delight in her husband's conversation, and the apparatus was kept constantly going. The manufacturer could now attend to his affairs without interruption, while at the same time his wife had no reason to complain of his coolness. This state of things was highly satisfactory. One day, having a business call to make in the neighborhood of his dwelling-house, he left the office earlier than usual, quite oblivious of old Kobes and the telephone, and after he had gone his errand he went straight home, as it was hardly worth while returning to the office at that late hour. But what was his astonishment on entering the room to see his wife sitting on the sofa deeply absorbed in the latest novel, and at the telephone busy talking with the gentleman at the office—Babette, the old cook!

Cruelty to a Soldier.

A shocking case of cruelty to a soldier was told in the legislative chamber of Bavaria. Fred Boegelein, whose knees were not normally well developed, had an awkward gait and caused his superiors great displeasure by marching in a rather unsteady fashion. One morning Corporal Brehm had him lie down on two chairs, one soldier fixing his thigh, another his head. Then a board was laid on Boegelin's feet and three men stood on the board. Shortly after the man's leg refused service, and he is still confined to the hospital, the doctors saying there are serious breakages in the sinews. The legs will remain stiff for life.

A Knowing Dog.

It is about as difficult for a dog to get a really satisfactory scratch at his back as it is for a one-armed man to rub his elbow, but a Hartford, Conn., dog does it. In front of his master's house is an old stone hitching-post, which time and weather have made rough and scaly. Proceeding to this the dog sits down, throws himself backward till he is leaning against the post, and then proceeds to rub his back as cleverly as a longshoreman or one of the ancient Scots who used to bless the Duke of Argyll.

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BY THE WAY.

—The Borough Council say the electric light poles and wires must come down. We await with interest to see who will *take* them down.

—The City Republican Executive Committee met on Saturday evening, and finished the business of the year. Nothing of importance, however, was transacted.

—Most of the coal engines on the Central Railroad have been equipped with snow plows, so as to be in readiness for the snow drifts which they will soon encounter in the coal regions.

—A regular encampment of Winfield Scott Post, No. 73, G. A. R., of this city, will be held on Tuesday evening next, when the officers to serve the Post for the coming year will be elected.

—Westfield is just now having a boom in building. Many new houses are at present in course of construction, and all the masons, carpenters, painters and other mechanics have their hands full.

—The Republicans of North Plainfield Township will meet in Spencer's Hall on Wednesday evening and perfect a permanent organization. Committee reports will be heard and officers elected.

—So much warm weather has made dull trade for the stove dealers, but J. P. Laire & Co. are bound to close out their season's stock and offer a fine assortment of parlor stoves at ten per cent discount.

—A "missionary offering" of more than $300 was contributed by the M. E. Sunday school at their annual missionary meeting yesterday afternoon, exceeding — in amount—their generous offering of last year.

—Presents to patrons are more than ever the fashion this year. Among the varied gifts offered, is one to every purchaser of five dollars at the establishment of I. H. Boehm, 7 W. Front street, as advertised elsewhere.

—Next Sunday evening Unity Lodge K. of P. of this city will attend divine service in the M. E. Church by invitation of the pastor of the church, the Rev. Dr. Van Meter, who will preach a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

—The eighteenth anniversary of Friendship Lodge, No. 30, K. of P., of New Brunswick, was celebrated on Wednesday evening. Mr. Eugene V. Lorton, of this city, was among the number who delivered addresses on the occasion.

—It is reported that out of a spirit of pure, unadulterated cussedness, one night last week, some one had broken the small pipes off of some of the electric light poles that lay along East Third street, preparatory to being raised to their position.

—Signal service officer Shaw had to "give it up," yesterday, in guessing at the weather. During the afternoon not a weather signal was displayed from the pole on top of his building. People, however, continued to carry their umbrellas all day.

—In the service of song at the Crescent Avenue church next Sunday evening at a quarter to eight o'clock, the choir of twenty-five voices will sing selections from the oratorio of Elijah. Mrs. J. K. Myers, soprano, and Mr. H. R. May, tenor, will assist.

—The members of Perseverance Lodge No. 74, K. of P., have been invited and will attend the meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association this evening. They will meet in their lodge room at a quarter to eight o'clock and march in a body to the Young Men's room.

—To-morrow evening is the time set for the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners. For several months past it has been impossible to get a quorum of the Commissioners together, and it is to be hoped that to-morrow evening the full Board will be present, so the citizens may know the condition of the Fire Department. A large number of claims are also awaiting payment.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

THE RECOUNT FOR COUNTY CLERK.

Crowell Gains Eight—His Majority, So Far, Is Twenty-One.

ELIZABETH, Dec. 12, 2 p. m.—The recount of the vote cast in the entire county for the office of County Clerk, began in the District Court here, today, Judge Van Syckel presiding. At this hour the canvass of Summit, Springfield, New Providence and Fanwood has been completed, and the result is the adding of eight more votes to County Clerk Crowell's majority of thirteen. The vote of Westfield is now being counted.

Right Again.

The three chapters below prove that THE PRESS was born with some brains, at least.

(From the Plainfield Daily Press, Dec. 5.)

The Newark *Journal* of last Saturday published a five-column letter which is a "fake" from beginning to end, but, none the less, a remarkably well written and clever satire on society. It is attributed to John Reginald Talbot, who, however, never wrote a word of or knew of its existence.

*(From the Plainfield "Evening * * *," Dec. 6.)*

Our local contemporary unqualifiedly pronounces the letter attributed by the Newark Journal to John Reginald Talbot, alias "Lord Courtenay," to be a "fake." Are the bogus "lords" in communion ?

(From the New York "Tribune," Dec. 12.)

Henry J. Brown, a journalist, of Newark, has made an affidavit, published in "The Sunday Call," yesterday, stating that he wrote the much-talked-of Talbot letter at the instigation of Colonel Harvey, of "The Journal."

The Recount for County Clerk.

The judges, inspectors and clerks of election of our several wards, with their ballot boxes containing the votes cast at the last County election, are in attendance in the Court room at Elizabeth, today. As the recount is merely ordered to decide the close contest for County Clerk, that one name only on each ballot need be read by Judge VanSyckel. But as there are 11,305 of these votes to count, probably more than two days will be occupied with the canvass. Besides the ward election officers who must be present to answer any questions arising in which they were officially concerned, those of the Freeholders who know the combination of the locks must be present to open them. The election officers locked the Yale locks with their separate keys after they had counted the votes. The County Board of Canvassers, after their official count, locked the combination locks. No one knows these combinations except the Freeholders who received the boxes from their manufacturers.

Lewis Henry Peterson, Esq.

At the election of last Tuesday held in the first ward of this city, Mr. Lewis Peterson, a colored citizen of East Third street, one of three candidates running for the office of Justice of the Peace, received the highest number of votes cast—beating in the race both his competiors of another race, a white Republican and a likewise white Democrat. The honor has called forth further honor—the folllowing editorial notice in the New York *World* of this morning:

A negro was elected Justice of the Peace at Plainfield, N. J., last week. He is said to be the first of his race to be so honored in New Jersey. He can read, but his chirography is reported to be somewhat defective. His term of office does not begin until next May. In the meantime he will devote his leisure hours to studying the statutes of his State, taking in Blackstone and Chitty if there be time.

Trinity Reformed Church Service.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather yesterday a large audience was present at both the morning and evening service in Trinity Reformed church. At the morning service Rev. Mr. Schenck, the pastor, took his text from Second Kings, fourth chapter and a part of the sixth verse: "And the oil stayed." In the absence of Mr. T. B. Brown, the basso of the choir, Mr Edward Cooley supplied his place, as did Mrs. Charles Steiner that of Mrs. E. Bird, the alto, who was also absent. In the evening the pastor's discourse was from the text found in St. John, first chapter, and a part of the 46th verse: "Can there be any good thing come out of Nazarath ? Come and see."

The New Jersey Sabbath Union.

The anniversary of the N. J. Sabbath Union, an organization whose sole object is the preservation of the Sabbath in this State, will be held in the Second Presbyterian church at Elizabeth, this evening. All persons who desire the continuance of the weekly rest day for the citizen, and also the maintenance of the Sabbath for worship, irrespective of denominational preferences, are cordially invited to attend.

—An adjourned regular meeting of the Exempt Firemen's Association will be held in Gazelle Engine house this evening.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

The Rev. Dr. Yerkes preached at Washingt nville, last evening, and his pulpit in the First Baptist church was occupied by the Rev. J. J. Baker, a former pastor and again a resident of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Milan Hall (*nee* Miss Minnie Randolph) have taken up their residence in Brooklyn, where Mr. Hall again assumes the management of the Hall Steam Pump Works in which he is a large stockholder.

Among the members of the Elizabeth Glee Club, who give the first of a series of concerts in that city, Thursday evening, before a fashionable audience, were Messrs Edward B. Ryder and Seymour W. Bonsall of the Crescent Avenue church choir of Plainfield.

Mr. Wm. H. Pangborn was elected, Wednesday evening last, as delegate from the branch union of this city to the National Convention of the Masons and Bricklayers International Union. The Convention will be held in Boston, Jan. 9. Mr. Pangborn also represented the Plainfield Union at the last Convention, which was held at Washington.

The funeral of the late Thomas McClain of Ohio who died Wednesday while on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. John Angleman of West Fourth street, took place from the house on Saturday afternoon. Rev. Dr. Ketcham officiated, and interment was made in the Methodist cemetery. The deceased was in the 77th year of his age. His death resulted from chronic gastritis.

Alvernus Vermeule, one of the very oldest inhabitants of this city, died at his residence No. 36 East Third street, yesterday, in the 67th year of his age. Deceased for a number of years acted as sexton of the Friends' Meeting House on Peace street, and was also in the employ of Mr. George Pound. The funeral services will take place to-morrow afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock, from the late residence of the deceased.

Hon. David Neighbor, the oldest living ex-member of the New Jersey Legislature and one of the few surviving members of the Constitutional Convention, which framed the constitution of New Jersey, celebrated the 91st anniversary of his birth, at his home near Califon, N. J., on the 25th ult. He is wonderfully well preserved, and heartily enjoyed the companionship of friends on the festive occasion. His father was ninety-two years old when he died.

Prof. Murray, of Princeton, occupied the pulpit of the Crescent Avenue church, yesterday morning, and preached an eloquent and powerful sermon. The Rev. Mr. Richards at the same time was addressing the students at Princeton College. Prof. Murray is the father of Dr. W. H. Murray of Broadway, and also the uncle of the Rev. Mr. Richards. Many of the Crescent Avenue congregation, yesterday morning, were so bold as to say he could preach almost as good a sermon as his nephew.

To-Night at Music Hall.

Edward J. Henley and a strong company are to present at Music Hall, this evening, "Deacon Brodie or the Double Life." The story is in its general aspect not a novel one, for it pivots on the double life led by *Brodie*, who, respected and loved in his daily walk, yields to temptations which lead him from crime to crime and ultimately to a violent death. There are in the play a dozen strongly drawn characters, and almost every one of them filled to the life, while in detail of word, deed and surroundings there is that care and intelligence that lift a stage performance far above the merely satisfactory. And, above all, while in "Deacon Brodie" the mirror is held up to the darker scenes of life, it is clear of false morals, wholesome sentiment and lessons being made to rise from surrounding vice as water lillies spring from the ooze of the stagnant pond. In a word, "Deacon Brodie," in story (thanks to Robert Louis Stevenson,) in striking theatrical scenes and in the manner of its presentation by Mr. Henley's English company, is a modest melo-drama.

Those Who Swore.

At the office of City Clerk O. B. Leonard, Saturday evening, Mayor Male was present and administered the oath of office to the following fortunate candidates of last election day;

Councilmen—E. N. Erickson, H. C. Squires, G. W. Watson, Wilton Randolph, Francis E. Marsh and Elmore D. Moffett.

Collector—John Johnson.

Treasurer—Alex. Titsworth.

Freeholder—Andrew Vanderbeek.

Com. of Appeal—R. MacDonald.

Justices of Peace—Lewis Peterson and Cadwallader Jones.

Constable—John B. Gable.

Most of the election officers of the several wards were also sworn, and the following members of the Board of Health, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council:

Board of Health—O. B. Leonard, S. A. Ginna, C. H. Penfield, M. D., and G. W. Rockfellow.

M. E. Church.

The Rev. W. L. Phillips of the Summerfield M. E. church, Brooklyn, occupied the pulpit of the M. E. church morning and evening. In the morning he preached an eloquent discourse from Deut. 33-27. "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." Moses uttered these words, said the preacher, just before he was permitted to view the land that he was not allowed to enter, and just before he was to meet his mysterious death. The children of Israel had many proofs of these words of Moses during their journey through the wilderness, their deliverances from their enemies, the pillar of cloud by day and of fire by night as their guide; the gushing of water from the rock, the raining of manna from heaven and the sending of quail for their food. The preacher dwelt at some length upon the fact that as God was *their* refuge so He has been the refuge of His people all down through the ages. He then proceeded to handle, "without gloves," the theories of evolution and materialism as a refuge; showing their utter failure to satisfy the longing of the human, or as an incentive to holy living, or the elevation of human character, and that while the "everlasting arms" of God raises His people up to Himself in a most tender and loving embrace, evolutionists teach that all we have to do is to "eat and drink, for to-morrow we die." The sermon evidently made a profound impression upon the large congregation present.

Wake Up, Pearsall.

About the "deadest" paper in the State of New Jersey is published at Westfield—one of the liveliest towns on the road. The Union County *Standard* is the name of the paper our neighbors are inflicted with, and it is made up of "plates," and chestnuts like the following. These items are from its issue of Saturday, four days after election and weeks after THE PRESS had proven that nobody had attacked Worsley, and that nobody was indignant therefore:

Rev. Dr. A. H. Lewis, who was absent at the time of his nomination for school trustee on the Republican ticket, declines the nomination. His ministry and literary work making it impossible for him to attend to the duties of the office. The name of Hon. George H. Babcock has been substituted.

The citizens of Plainfield are indignant at the attacks on Detective Worsley, who was the means of bringing the "fire bugs" to justice. The city has allowed him $1,088, or $8 a day for his services.

Reform Club Meeting.

Considering the state of the weather a very fair-sized audience met in Reform Hall last night. President French was at the post of duty, as were all the members of Mr. Vanderbeek's excellent choir. Chaplain Honeyman conducted the religious exercises. The regularly appointed speakers for the evening were Captain Ostrom and Judge Harper, both of whom appeared. Judge Harper spoke first and made an earnest appeal on behalf of the homes of our country, arguing that of all interests needing protection the home stood foremost, and in fitting terms eulogized a home governed by religion, virtue and temperance. Capt. Ostrom followed along a similar line of thought, and added force to his remarks by apt illustration of sea experience. After an appeal from President French ten persons came forward and signed the Club's pledge of total abstinence.

City Council Meeting.

This evening the city council will meet in adjourned regular session. At the meeting a week ago, the City Clerk was requested to prepare a list of all unfinished business for the year, and present the same at the meeting tonight. This is said to indicate a long and tedious session. Whether or not the Council will take action at this meeting on the matter of appointing a successor to Chief Dodd is not known, but there is enough other business to keep the councilmen engaged for several hours.

Who Is He?

In an interview published in the New York *Herald* of Saturday, a former inmate of the insane asylum on Ward's Island said, among other things: "There are several men there, too, who are as sane as you are. One is a Mr. W. B. Redfield, of Plainfield, N. J." As there is no family of that name in this city, there is a mistake somewhere. It is almost ten years since any Redfields have lived here.

A Brilliant Woman.

Miss Julia Thomas of New York will deliver an address upon "Physical Perfection," at Reform Hall, to-morrow evening. No admission will be charged, and all are welcome. Miss Thomas is a woman of rare culture, and highly endorsed by the press as a speaker who cannot fail to make her subject both fascinating and instructive.

Drop In Coal.

The first and only firm in this city to cut down the present high price of coal, is Hetfield Bros. They advertise in THE PRESS today all sizes, delivered, at six dollars per ton. The ruling price with the other dealers is still $6.50.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE.

On the Life, Habits and Religion of the Hindoos of India and Ceylon.

The seating capacity of the Congregational church was severely taxed last evening to accommodate the vast audience that gathered there to listen to an address on the life, habits and religion of the Hindoos of India and Ceylon, by Rev. G. W. Leitch, formerly a missionary in Ceylon. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the church, and was illustrated by seventy-five stereopticon photographs procured especially for these lectures by the Misses Leitch, sisters of the lecturer, who are now advancing the cause of Christianity in Ceylon. In other places where the lecture has been given, admission tickets have been sold, but last evening the admission was free, and all were cordially welcomed. The views were very interesting and were accompanied by witty and pointed description. The lecturer began by pointing out on a diagram the location of Jaffana, where his sisters are at present engaged in missionary work. Here the principal productions are rice and palms, the former the chief article of food, and the latter, which is known to have 376 uses, one of the chief occupations. Common Hindoo laborers get on an average, ten cents a day and board themselves; women get from five to eight cents a day for their labor. Another chief occupation is raising cocoanuts, which grow on trees many feet above the ground; strange as it may seem, cocoanuts seldom ever fall to the ground during the day time, but almost invariably at night, when the natives are in their huts asleep. The fertility of the land is inferior to other climates; grass grows to the height of about four inches, and never completely covers the ground. The people are divided into castes, each caste having a different occupation; if a high caste man enters the threshold of his inferior, he is forever defiled. The country abounds in poisonous serpents, and thousands of the natives die yearly from snake bites. The heathen pay no attention to style of dress and the Sabbath is unknown among them. Some of the low caste families never have more than forty cents from one year's end to another. Sacred ashes on the temples and forehead is the sign of the heathen religion. In Ceylon wood is never used as fuel; the women follow the cattle and gather up the drippings, which they dry and use instead; one-third of the entire production is turned over to the Government. In the Hindoo language, the lecturer said, there are 240 characters, and it has been said that one must put his tongue up in curl papers over night to get around some of the characters. He recited the Lord's Prayer and sang a hymn in the native language. The hymn, as produced on the canvas, would put one in mind of a Chinese wash bill..

The illustrations included the Pagoda, or entrance to the Menachis temple, in Madura, one of the most noted temples in Southern India, beautiful caaved figures lining the entrance, stone idols, dancing girls etc., all of which are said to be very realistic. The people of India and Ceylon are as a class, very superstitious, and it is considered a crime to kill an animal. The climate, during the greater part of the year, is very dry and the heat oppressive. During the dry season the temperature is about 90 deg.; most of the labor is done in the evening and early morning, so hot is it in the daytime that even the natives do not venture out of doors; travelers often quench their thirst with the dew from the trees; in Ceylon there are no springs, and the water taken from wells is so polluted that the hair washed in it a few times becomes covered with a thick coating of salt; the climate, as a rule, does not agree with Americans, who, after a short residence there, are affected with liver complaint; women own all the real estate, and all property is deeded over to females.

The concluding illustrations in the lecture were those directly identified with missionary work, such as the Oodooville boarding school for girls, the Industrial Home, Christian refugee, native helpers, a Bible woman ($10 a year will support a Bible woman in India) who devotes several hours daily introducing Bible reading into the homes of the natives, and a graduated table showing the relative amount of money spent annually for rum, tobacco, bread, woolen goods, and foreign missions. $900,000,000 is spent annually for rum, large quantities of which are sent to heathen countries; $5,500,000 is spent annually to support foreign missions; some people are of the opinion that the heathen world has been pretty generally canvassed and supplied with missionaries; this is not so; today there are on the planet hundreds of thousands of human beings who have never heard the name of God mentioned. In conclusion the speaker told of the work his sisters had accomplished among the heathens and said that a young medical student in London had proffered his services to go to India next Fall. The object of these lectures he said was for the purpose of raising funds to endow a medical chair in Jaffana College, now in course of construction.

On the whole the lecture was thoroughly instructive and entertaining, and at its close a substantial collection was taken up for the cause, after which a hymn was sung and the audience dismissed with the benediction.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

An important meeting of the Reception Committee will be held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening at 9 o,clock.

"The Four Gospels" is the subject of the Bible talk to be given by Rev. J. L. Hurlbut, D. D., before the Y. M. C. A. Seniors on Friday evening of this week.

Every witness in the "Mock Trial" to be held to-morrow evening, is urged to be present at the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening at 9 o'clock. It is hoped members of the Society also will be present.

The "Seniors" have in store for their friends a treat in the "Mock Trial" to be held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, to-morrow evening. Hon. John Ulrich will be the presiding Judge. Admission free. Men are welcome.

The meeting in the Y. M.C.A. room this evening will be conducted by Mr. C. E. Boss. As an invitation extended to Perseverance Lodge, K. of P., to attend in a body has been accepted, we trust young men of the Association will be well represented to welcome them. Good singing will tend to add interest to the service.

The Fire Board's Predicament.

The Elizabeth *Herald* is remarkably keen sighted for a journal at a distance. It begins to see things THE PRESS has only dared hint at for a few weeks past, and which other Plainfield papers have not yet opened their eyes to. The *Herald* of Friday last, says:

The present fire board of Plainfield finds itself in a predicament. By a recent decision of the Supreme Court, the board has no power to levy or collect taxes. A bill of $1,000 from the Amoskeag Fire Engine company for repairs to one of the Plainfield engines has just been presented, together with bills for hose recently purchased. Inasmuch as these bills are contracted by the members of the fire board, they are found to be personally responsible for them. As a result they begin to be a little worried over the situation.

We Deny the Allegation.

There is a report about town that one of the newspaper men of this city attended Sunday school yesterday. There is nothing strange about this statement—we all do it—but added to the assertion is a base slander. It is said that this newspaper man has not attended the Sunday school before in a month, and only does so now to make his title clear to a Christmas orange and a possible box of candy. We would right here crush this slander in the bud so far as it might reflect upon us. Not a member of the staff of THE PRESS who belongs to any Sunday school has been absent during a Sunday in six years. And we are none of us Baptists, either, so far as we know.

News via. Newark.

The following bits of intelligence reached here on Saturday, having appeared in a Newark paper of that day, which is evidently run on the dollar plan:

"Chief of Police Dodd of Rahway, republican, was elected Warden of the Union county jail for five years December 1. His wife was appointed matron. The office is worth $2,500."

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"At a meeting of Odd Fellows at Plainfield, Tuesday afternoon, called to consider the case of Leonard Grunewald, who was found dead at the foot of a precipice a few days ago, the Odd Fellows' assembly offered a reward of $1,000 for the apprehension of Grunewald's murderers."

Republican Meeting.

The Republican voters of the city will meet in the Republican Association rooms this evening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of electing five delegates to attend the National Convention of Republican Clubs in Chickering Hall, N. Y., on Dec. 15th, 16th and 17th. Any other business which may be brought before the meeting will also be considered at that time.

—Among the estimates submitted to Congress by the Secretary of the Treasury for the coming year, are the following for river improvements in New Jersey: For continuing improvement, Matawan creek, $10,000; Maurice river, $20,000; Passaic river, below Newark, $60,000; Rancocas river, $10,000; Raritan river, $100,000; Shrewsbury river, $20,000; South river, $10,000; Woodbury creek, $5,000. For completing improvement, Elizabeth river, $8,000; Passaic river, above Newark, $7,500.

—The State Board of Education reports that during the past year, in New Jersey, fifty new school houses were erected. The amount expended for support of schools was $2,678,186. There are 1,603 school buildings in the State. The property under control of the Board is valued at $7,263,039, an increase of $438,113 over that of last year. The number of male teachers is 826, and female, 3,069. The school census shows a decrease of 2,161 children between the ages of five and eighteen years.

THE K. OF L. SECESSION

MASTER-WORKMAN POWDERLY'S ENEMIES GROWING STRONGER.

Fully 30,000 Knights in Philadelphia Bitterly Opposed to the Present Administration—Rapid Growth of the Anti-Administration Element—Trouble Ahead.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11.—Scarcely anything except those directly involved in the matter are aware of the amazing extent to which the secession movement within the knights of labor has progressed. So quietly and secretly has the work of Mr. Powderly's opponents been carried on thus far that the public at large knows but little concerning it, but yet so thoroughly in earnest have the anti-administration leaders been and so active in their efforts to destroy the power of "the corrupt Powderly ring," that the great army of secessionists is now carefully estimated to comprise one-third of the entire order, or nearly 200,000 members. The way is already prepared for the gigantic revolution which is impending, and present appearances indicate that this revolution will be openly started before the next two months have gone by. When it does come it will outdo everything of its kind that has yet been attempted. It will include nearly all the large and powerful trade districts which now give to the order its bone and sinew, and it will thus take away that which hitherto has given to the order its influence as an industrial organization.

Authentic reports, showing the development and spread of the disaffection, are being received here daily by the local leaders of the movement from all parts of the country, and now the manufacturing districts of New England, of New York City and vicinity of Northern and Eastern New Jersey, and of Baltimore, besides this city and Chicago, are found to be missionary centres of the secession movement, from which the work of regeneration radiates in all directions.

Philadelphia, by the common consent of the secessionists in these centres, has been made the headquarters of the movement for the east, as Chicago is the headquarters for the west. In Philadelphia the movement has been kept more secret than in the other cities, but its growth has been even more rapid and vigorous. One would naturally suppose that in this city, the head and centre of the knights' organization and the seat of its general government, Mr Powderly's sway would be unlimited and unquestioned, but the facts are precisely the reverse. Of the 60,000 knight in good standing in this city and neighborhood fully one-half are bitterly opposed to the reigning administration, and the major part of the other half are inclined in the same direction or are wholly indifferent on the subject.

District Assembly 212, composed of Pennsylvania Railroad employes, together with the local assemblies attached to what is known as the Reading Railroad Employes' convention, are in close sympathy with the proposed secession, but owing to the Lehigh coal miners' strike, in which they desire to enlist the aid of the general officers, they have not openly made known their position. When the miners' strike is over, however, it is expected that the 20,000 members of district 212 and the 50,000 Reading Railroad men will in large part enter the new movement with the other Philadelphia Knights. Through the Philadelphia Provisional committee, the first in a series of secret circulars, similar to that issued by the Chicago Provisional committee, has been sent out this week to the rank and file of the order everywhere, laying down a code of rules for the guidance of the secessionists and containing a declaration of principles. The keynote of the whole movement is well expressed in these words of the circular:

"As all efforts to correct abuses inside the order have proved of no avail, owing to the strength of the ring which, by the most questionable means, has got control of the secret as well as the open machinery of the order, it becomes necessary, while holding fast to the principles upon which it is founded, to reconstruct and reorganize its administrative machinery upon a broader, safer, and more honest basis."

This is what the anti-administrationists are now endeavoring to do, and the better to accomplish their design have appointed a score of organizers and lecturers from their own ranks to visit all the assemblies and set forth "the corruption of the Powderly ring." The plan outlined at first by the secessionists was to demand of Messrs. Powderly and Litchman an itemized account of the order's finances and last year's expenditures, and, failing in this, ask the civil courts to appoint a receiver and issue an injunction to restrain Litchman from further handling the order's funds, but this plan has been changed, and the policy to be pursued henceforth will be to withhold from the general treasury all taxes and assessments, in order to starve out the general officers. This is deemed the quickest way of pinching them, and by this means it is thought that the general officers will be sbliged to succumb to the forces brought to bear against them and to step out of their present positions. To prevent this, General Secretary Litchman this week declared that he will eject from the order all such assemblies as do not pay their taxes promptly.

HE KNEW THE ROBBER BY SIGHT.

The Men Who Robbed Peter Bennett Captured and Indentified.

FARMINGTON, Me., 11.—City Marshall Whitney of Bangor and Sheriff Brown of Penobscot county arrived here last night and left this morning in charge of the two men arrested on suspicion of complicity in the robbery of $32,000 from, and the assault upon, Peter Bennett in Newport, Me.

Marshal Whitney immediately identified one of the men as Clarence Whitney, resident of Newport, who has been out of the state for the last fifteen Years until last week.

Late, Marshal Whitney admitted that the prisoner was the son of a clergyman in that town and a nephew of his, who had resided at New York off and on for years. The Saturday before the robbery, Clarence, it is said, bade his friends goodby, and took a train for New York, but got off at the first station and return. Clarence told his uncle that he knew he was in a bad fix but said: "I shall come out of it all right by and by."

Women Sign Petitions for Liquor Licenses.

SHARON, Pa., Dec. 11.—What is probably the most novel feature that ever characterized a contest between liquor men and temperance people displayed itself here this week. Female friends of applicants for license canvassed the city for women signers to the petitions for license. This is to offset the influence of female remonstrants to the granting of licenses. The fight is assuming proportions that in all probability will give it state notoriety.

A Brother of Sage Russell Dying.

TROY, Dec. 11.—William C. Sage is lying at the point of death at his home, this city, and he is not expected to survive the night. He is a brother of the Hon. Russell Sage of New York.

[illegible] CROP REPORTS.

Corn Much Higher Than Last Year—Little Difference in Wheat.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The December statistical report of the department of agriculture relates mainly to farm prices of agricultural products. The average value of corn is 43.8 cents per bushel, against 36.6 last year and 32.8 in 1883. In 1881 it was 63.8, when the estimated product was 1,194,916,000 bushels. The difference is largely due to a general depression of values. The prices respectively in 1881 and 1887 are 61 and 48 in Ohio, 60 and 45 in Indiana, 38 and 41 in Illinois, 44 and 34 in Iowa, 65 and 37 in Missouri, 78 and 67 in Kansas, and 39 and 30 in Nebraska. Prices in the Gulf states average lower than last year, resulting from a nearly full home supply. In the Atlantic states prices of home-grown corn are only slightly advanced.

The average value of wheat is 69 cents, only three mills higher than the average last year. It is 82 in New York, 61 in Pennsylvania, 74 in Michigan, 73 in Ohio, 72 in Indiana, 70 in Illinois, 64 in Wisconsin, 62 in Missouri, 81 in Iowa and Kansas, 59 in Minnesota, 53 in Nebraska, and 52 in Dakota.

The average for oats is 30.7 cents, against 29.8 last year Barley averages 52.2 instead of 53 last year. Buckwheat 56.1 or 1.7 cents higher than last year. The cereal averages for the entire country differ very slightly from those of last year, except to corn.

The value of potatoes is greatly enhanced being 68.5 cents against 45 last year. It is higher than for seven years, except in 1881 The value of hay is much increased. It averages $9.34 per ton, against $7.36 last year. The advance has been in the drought area of the west.

Cotton values are about half a cent higher than in December last. The average plantation prices by states are as follows: 8.7 cents per pound for the states of the Atlantic coast, 6.6 for Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana; 8.5 for Tennessee and Arkansas, and 8.3 for Texas.

AFTER MEXICAN BANDITS.

Hundreds of Troops in the Field Trying to Capture the Outlaws.

NOGALES, Arizona, Dec. 11.—Frequent raids and murders by the notorious Mexican bandit, Bernal, are causing increased alarm. The Mexican government is making strenuous efforts to effect the capture of Bernal and his little army. Almost all the troops of the states of Sonora and Sinoloa and also large bodies of citizens are in the field. The troops surprised the bandit camp, but were forced to retreat. Another attack was made, when several bandits were killed and three wounded. Bernal's army was divided into two or three parties.

It is thought the bandit chief is not now with his forces, but in hiding, though still manipulating the movements of his men. It is believed that the troops have now hedged in most of his men, and a report of a desperate battle is hourly expected. Nearly the whole of Sonora is up in arms, and much excitement prevails These bandit outlaws have given the Mexican government more trouble and are calling more troops in the fields than the Apaches ever did. It is estimated that Bernal's army has killed nearly 2,000 people during the last year, and destroyed more than one hundred towns.

Hurled Headlong to Death.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 11.—A report has just reached here of a frightful accident at Luzerne borough, four miles from here. The carriage at Waddell's shaft, used for hoistinn coal, was about to be lowered into the pit, 300 feet deep. Upon it were ten miners. When within one hundred feet of the bottom the cariage became stationary and the rope began to slacken. Before the engineer could take up the slack the carriage suddenly descended with great force, throwing four of the men off, who fell to the bottom of the pit. James John, son of William John, engineer at the shaft, and Hugh Monaghan were horribly mangled and instantly killed. William Boyed and John Blight were picked up fatally injured. The legs and arms of each were broken and they were badly crushed. The six others were seriously injured and badly shaken up, but their injuries are not considered fatal.

Prohibition in Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 11.—Prohibition is being enforced in Angola, Ind., in a novel way. The commissioners of the county are temperance men and there is strong opposition in the town to the sale of liquor. Several men have applied for saloon license and in each case the citizens have presented remonstrances to the commissioners and they have refused to grant the license. The saloonkeepers, with the aid of several lawyers are endeavoring to compel the commissioners to issue licenses to them. The preliminary trial of the case was in progress for three days in the presence of a large crowd, and ended by a decision in fevor of the citizens. The saloonkeepers will appeal to the supreme court.

Strong Vein of Natural Gas.

LYONS, N. Y. Dec. 11.—People in the village of Penn Yan, Yates county, are excited over the finding of an unusually strong vein of gas in that place. William Townsend was boring a well, which had reached a depth of only fifty feet when the gas vein was pierced. Yesterday afternoon a pipe was driven into the earth and the escaping gas was lighted. A flame burst several feet into the air and made a loud roaring sound, and the heat from the flame was intense. Several gas wells will be immediately sunk in different parts of Penn Yan by enthusiastic citizens, and pipes will be laid throughout the village for heating and lighting houses and business places.

Chicago Printers Ask For Aid.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—The executive committe of the Chicago typographical union has issued a circular to the other unions of the United States. It charges that the Chicago typothetae is being supported by the employming printers of the country in its efforts to destroy the typographical union. It says the striking printers are determined not to sign the ironclad contract, and asks for financial aid to support them in their position.

Big Fire in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11.—The cooperage and milling works of William G. Penny packer, at Twenty-Third street, and Washington avenue, were destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Several small dwelling houses were also consumed. The loss will exceed $100,000. A large number of valuable horses were rescued.

A New York Schooner Saved.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 11.—The revenue cutter Samuel Dexter, which has just returned here, reports the rescue of the schooner Sarah Doe, of New York, from Havana for Boston. The schooner was picked up in a disabled condition by the cutter and towed with difficulty into Vineyard Haven.

Gov. Bodwell Improving.

HALLOWELL, Me., Dec. 11.—Gov. Bowwell's condition is improving, and he was quite comfortable yesterday.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 9, 1887.

Atkinson, Miss M A	Mullins, Miss Annie (2)
Brown, Harry	Peterson, Mrs Josie
Buckler James	Randolph, Mrs Jessie
Combes, Mrs H G	Rionce, Mrs Jane
Drake, A M	Robson, Miss Lucy
Euler, Mr F	Shnitice, Mr Wm
Flagg, Miss Emily L	Scott, Mrs M J A
Felker, Miss Rebecca	Stansberry, Mrs Maria
Gardner, Peter	Scribner, Mrs Katie
Herenden, Mrs Ida (2)	Taylor, Jennie
Jackson, Miss Alice B	Thompson, Miss M H
Lane, Mrs Annie	Thompson, Miss May
McFarhie, L D	Wood, Geo M
Morris, Miss	Wilson, Mr K R
Martin, Miss Katie	Ward, Miss Maggie

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W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

DEATHS.

VERMEULE—In this city, on Sunday, Dec. 11th, 1887, Alvernus Vermeule, in the 67th year of his age.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, No. 36 East 3d street, on Tuesday, 13th inst., at 2:30 p. m.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

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SENATE COMMITTEES.

FULL LIST OF REPUBLICAN ASSIGNMENTS FIXED BY THE CAUCUS.

The Special Committee on Interstate Commerce Made a Standing Committee—Only a Few Changes in the Principal Committees—The List Handed to Senator Beck.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The republican senators assembled in caucus at eleven o'clock yesterday. The list of assignments to committees was laid before the body by the caucus committee. One or two minor changes were agreed upon in caucus, and the list was approved. The caucus lasted less than an hour.

The following is the full list of the republican membership of the senate committees as arranged by the caucus.

Agriculture and Forestry — Messrs. Palmer, Blain, Plumb, Sabin, and Paddock.

Appropriations—Messrs. Allison, Dawes, Plumb, Hale and Farwell.

Contingent Expenses — Messrs. Jones, (Nevada) and Paddock.

Census—Messrs. Hale, Morrill, Wilson (Iowa), Stockbridge and Davis.

District of Columbia—Messrs. Ingalls, Spooner, Chace, Riddleberger and Farwell.

Education and Labor—Messrs. Blair, Bowen, Palmer, Sawyer and Wilson.

Engrossed Bills—Democratic chairman, Mr. Allison.

Enrolled Bills—Messrs. Bowen and Sabin.

Civil Service and Retrenchment—Messrs. Chace, Dawes, Manderson, Stanford and Stewart.

Claims—Messrs. Lpooner, Hoar, Mitchell, Stewart and Quay.

Coast Defenses—Messrs. Dolph, Cameron, Hawley and Hiscock.

Commerce—Messrs. Frye, Jones (Nevada), Dolph, Cameron, Sawyer, Cullom and Palmer.

Epidemic Diseases—Democratic chairman, Messrs. Stanford, Chandler, and Stockbridge.

To Examine the Several Branches of the Civil Service—Messrs. Quay, Aldrich and Allison.

Expenditures of Public Money—Messrs. Farwell, Plumb, Platt, Sherman and Frye.

Finance—Messrs. Morrill, Sherman, Jones (Nevada), Allison, Aldrich and Hiscock.

Fisheries—Messrs. Stockbridge, Dawes and Stanford.

Foreign Relations—Messrs. Sherman, Edmunds, Frye, Evarts and Hawley.

Indian Affairs—Messrs. Dawes, Bowen, Sabin, Platt and Stockbridge.

Judiciary—Messrs. Edmunds, Ingalls, Hoar, Wilson and Evarts.

Library—Messrs. Evarts and Hoar.

Manufactures—Messrs. Riddleberger, Sabin and Quay.

Military Affairs—Messrs. Hawley, Cameron, Manderson, Stewart and Davis.

Mines and Mining—Messrs. Stewart, Jones Nevada) Mitchell and Teller.

Naval Affairs—Messrs. Cameron, Hale, Riddleberger, Stanford and Chandler.

Patents—Messrs. Teller. Chase, Platt and Hiscock.

Persons—Messrs. Davis, Blair, Sawyer, Paddock and Quay.

Postoffices and Postroads—Messrs. Sawyer, Chace, Bowen, Mitchell and Quay.

Painting—Messrs. Manderson and Hawley.

Private Land Claims—Democratic chairman, Messrs. Edmunds and Quay.

Privileges and Elections—Messrs. Hoar, Frye, Teller, Evarts and Spooner.

Public Buildings and Grounds—Messrs. Stanford, Morrill, Spooner and Quay.

Public Lands—Messrs. Plumb, Blair, Dolph, Teller and Paddock.

Railroads—Messrs. Sabin, Sawyer, Hawley, Mitchell, Chandler and Stockbridge.

Revision of the Laws—Messrs. Wilson, of Iowa, Hale and Teller.

Revolutionary Claims—Democratic chairman Messrs. Chace and Morrill.

Rules—Messrs. Aldrich, Sherman, Ingalls.

Territories Messrs. Platt, Cullom, Manderson, Stewart and Davis.

Transportation Routes to the Seabord—Messrs. Mitchell, Plumb, Cullom, Dawes and Aldrich.

Centennial of Constitution and Discovery of America—Messrs. Hiscock, Sherman and Hoar.

Indian Traders—Messrs. Chandler, Platt and Cullom.

The special committee on interstate commerce has been made a standing committee and its membership is increased. The republican members are as follows: Messrs. Cullom, Platt, Blair, Wilson and Hiscock. Seator Hawley who relinquishes the chairmanship of the civil service committee and takes that of the committee on military affairs, will be a member of the former and his name will probably be substituted for that of Stewart with the assent of the latter.

The following are the changes in the principal committees:—Farwell takes Mahone's place on appropriations; Sawyer, Cullom and Palmer fill the vacancies on the commerce committee, made by the retirement of McMillan, Miller and Conger; Riddleberger and Farwell take places on the District of Columbia committee, Vice Palmer and Chaney; Hiscock takes Miller's place on the finance committee; Dolph takes Harrison's place on the committee on foreign relations; Platt and Stockbridge are substituted for Ingalls and Harrison on the committee on Indian affairs.

The judiciary committee is reduced in numbers from ten to nine by the retirement of McMillan, whose place is not filled.

The list has been handed to Mr. Beck, chairman of the democratic caucus, who has called a democratic caucus for Monday morning at ten o'clock.

Decision in a Famous Insurance Suit.

ELMIRA, Dec. 11.—The referee in the famous Arnot litigation rendered his decision yesterday in favor of the Arnots. In February, 1853, the Arcade building on Lake street, this city, was burned. It was well insured in the Ætna, Continental, Phœnix, Montauk, Fireman's Friend, Hamilton and Manufacturers and Builders'. The Ætna paid its share, but the others refused to pay in full. The Arnots are wealthy and prepared to fight. The litigation has been complex and tedious. It was finally referred to A. Hadden, a lawyer of Corning. To-day he rendered his decision, awarding the Arnots $40,000 insurance and interest, and placing $20,000 costs on the insurance companies.

Capt. Bogardus Makes a Match.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 11.—Capt. A. H. Bogardus has made a match with J. L. Winston, of Covington, Ky., to shoot at 100 wild pigeons each, English rules, five ground traps, 30 yards rise, for $250 a side, the shoot to take place in St. Louis next Friday. A national [illegible] of all the crack shots of the country is to held here next spring.

An [illegible] Gets a Snug Fortune.

[illegible] Dec. 11.—Miss Sarah [illegible] Jew[illegible] ress, who is a native [illegible] into possession [illegible] by the recent death [illegible]

THREE SHOTS FOR FERRY

ATEMPT TO ASSASSINATE HIM IN THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.

Much Uneasiness in Europe Over Russia's Actions--The French Ministerial Crisis Continues--Whelehan's Murderers Sentenced.--Another Newspaper Man Arrested--Investigating M. Wilson.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Jules Ferry was fired at three times yesterday by a man in the lobby of the chamber of deputies. His wounds are slight. The bullets only grazed the skin after piercing his clothes.

M. Ferry was shot at by a man who gave the name of Aubertin. Aubertin appeared in the hall of the chamber of deputies and ask to see both M. Ferry and M. Goblet. M. Goblet did not respond to Aubertins request for an interview, but M. Ferry did, and on his appearance Aubertin drew a revolver and fired three times at him.

The wounded politician was able to proceed to a hospital supported by his friends. In reply to inquiries by friends as to the severity of his wounds he responded, "It is nothing."

A medical examination at the hospital revealed that two of the bullets struck M. Ferry. The first passed round the chest, slightly penetrating the flesh, and the second struck him on the right side near the lowest ribs, causing a contusion.

After his injuries had been attended to at the hospital M. Ferry returned to his home on foot. A bulletin issued by Dr. Frolat states that the wound in the chest is a contusion.

The real name of M. Ferry assailant is Berckem Aubertin. He is twenty years of age. He states he is one of a band of twenty revolutionists. The band drw lots and it fell to him to commit the first crime. Aubertin declares that he swore to kill M. Ferry.

The bystanders tried to lynch him after he had fired the shots, but were prevented from carrying out their intention by the police, who promptly arrested the offender.

M. Ferry's assailant is a native of Rombach, in Moselle. When he made the attack on M. Ferry he was accompanied by an accomplice who was to have shot M. Goblet, but who failed to do so, giving as his reason that his revolver dropped to the floor. When Aubertin was searched by the police, a paper was found on him which indicated that he and his confederates had drawn lots yesterday to decide who should do the shooting. The paper ends: "Death to intriguers. Our path is marked out to form an intelligent, disinterestd and patriotic ministry. So be it."

RUSSIA'S WARLIKE ACTIONS.

Frenchmen Make Another Presidential Crisis Probable.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Russia's concentration of troops in Poland gives rise to much uneasiness in Europe. Vienna believed yesterday that a collision was imminent. But to-day's news is that the Vienna cabinet has resolved not to send more troops into Galicia. So peaceful hopes are once more in the ascendency.

The French ministerial crisis continues with no sign of an amicable conclusion. M. Carnot's attempts to induce the opportunists and radicals to work together in the same cabinet meet with no success. M. Goblet vainly tried to form a ministry with M. Ribot, left centre, and M. Sigismund Lacroit, radical, but they were irreconcilable. All sections of republicans seem to have become irreconcilable, Their capacity for conciliation was exhausted with the election of M. Carnot. M. Clemenceau now insists on a radical ministry. Such a ministry could not live five minutes in the chamber. M. Fallieres is again trying his hand at a compromise cabinet, but things look to-day as if M. Carnot will be driven to dissolve the chamber if he can induce the senate to agree; and if he cannot, another presidential crisis is not far off.

Whelehan's Murderer Sentenced.

DUBLIN, Dec. 11.—At Ennis yesterday the jury in the case of the prisoners accused of complicity in the murder of Constable Whelehan disagreed as to the guilt of the two Murphys, but found the others guilty of manslaughter. Levy was sentenced to two years' imprisonment at hard labor and four others to seven years each.

Investigating M. Wilson.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—M. Wilson was examined to-day by the commission appointed to inquire into the charges against him. He begged that the commission render a prompt decision in the case in order that the violent and unmerited newspaper attacks on him might cease.

Another Newspaper Man Arrest.

CORK, Dec. 11.—Mr. John Harper, member of parliament for the southeast division of Cork county, was arrested in this city last night for publishing reports of suppressed league meetings in the Cork *Herald* with which paper he has been connected for twenty-five years.

CHICAGO OFFICIALS FRIGHTENED.

Revolvers and Cartridges Found in a Prisoner's Cell.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—The official in the county jail are in a frenzy of fear and uncertainty over disclosures regarding the possession of contraband articles by the prisoners. The finding of the bombs in in Lingg's cell has never been traced to its depth. Neither has the person been traced to its depth. Neither has the person been discovered who furnished the several doses of poison taken by George Engel. On Saturday last a revolver and over one hundred cartridges were found in the cell of Michael Lynch, who shot and killed officer William S. Halloran in July, and this evening it was learned that the latter discovery prevented the carrying out of a plot to liberate half a dozen of the worst criminals in the jail. Immediately on the finding of the revolver and ammunition by Jailer Folz, Lynch was taken from the cell and placed in solitary confinement for over one hundred hours, manacled to the cell door and fed on bread and water. All details have been suppressed by the jail officials, but it is known that the plan was to arm Lynch and a number of other prisoners and getting them into the lawyers' cage on some pretence, have them all make a combined break for liberty, shooting down the guards if necessary.

Prohibition in the Majority.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 11.—The Wood local option law has been in operation in Missouri six months. Under its provisions forty-seven counties and fifteen towns of more than 2,500 population have held elections. Thirty of these counties have elected to go "Dry" with majorities ranging from ten in Pulaski county to 1,732 in Nedaway county. Seventeen decide to remain "Wet" and a curious feature about the struggle is that counties like Clay and Caldwell that have not had saloons in years gave heavy majorities against prohibition.

THE BIG TRAIN ROBBERY.

About $10,000 Secured by Three Men Who Stopped a Train in Arkansas.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 11.—The details of the robbery of the north-bound train on the St. Louis, Arkansas and Texas railroad on Friday night near Texarkana, Ark., have been received. R. P Johnson, the postal clerk on duty at the time, says the train was suddenly stopped when moving out of Geneva station. He saw three rough-looking men board the engine and he knew something was wrong, so he blew out the lights in his compartment and locked the doors. The express messenger did the same thing.

The three robbers were armed with a Winchester rifle and a couple of revolvers each. They ordered the doors opened and fired several shots through the windows. They then used a pickaxe, and Johnson fired one shot out through the window, which was answered by a volley. Finding resistance useless, and the lives of the engineer and fireman at stake, the express messenger opened his doors, when a light was struck and search by the robber began.

Johnson does not know accurately, but thinks the robbers must have obtained $10,000. A good deal of Louisiana lottery money went up in small denominations The leader of the robbers was much agitated, and the mail clerk told him he was more scared than he, Johnson, was. Johnson says he would know one of the men anywhere. The leader weighs 200 pounds, and is thick and heavy set, with very rough, big hands, and blue eyes. The conductor opened the door, and was fired at. There was a panic among the passengers, who seemed paralyzed with fear.

After gutting the express car they entered the mail car. Johnson expostulated that that was Uncle Sam's dominion, and if the mails were robbed it would go hard with them. One man replied: "That is so," and said they would not touch the mails.

Great excitement prevails in the region of the robbery, and mounted men are scouring the woods everywhere. The governor and railroad company have offered rewards for the capture of the robbers.

The Hecla Mine Caving In.

ISHPEMING, Mich., Dec. 11.—At 1:30 yesterday employes in the vicinity off the Hecla mine engine shaft felt a trembling of the earth like a light earthquake shock The ground about the shaft immediately disappeared, and at the same time the ground between the engine shaft and the Hecla shaft No. 1. sunk 10 to 15 feet. The smoke immediately issued from the lost shaft. An alarm was given and men were sent to lay long timbers across the mouth of the cavity. Owing to the heavy smoke mingled with the deadly carbonic acid gas, great difficulty was experienced in getting the timbers across. The cave in was twenty-five feet across and smoke issued as from the funnel of a locomotive, showing that the fire under ground, instead of being under control, is really burning more fiercely and in all probability has spread to the larger part of the mine.

Lamar's Confirmation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The opposition which is said to have been developing of late against the confirmation of Mr. Lamar as justice of the supreme court is not likely to prove at all formidable. The friends of Mr. Lamar confidently claim that he will have the support of every democratic senator, and that at least two of the republican senators will vote for his confirmation. Those who are opposing him say that the republican caucus instructions will hold the senators on the other side to a man. It is not believed that the caucus can possibly keep the republicans in line. Many of them are warm personal friends of Mr. Lamar, and there is little doubt that two or three of them will vote to confirm him.

Was Lieut. Fisher Guilty.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—An order has been issued by the navy department detaching First Lieut. H. C. Fisher, U. S. M. C., from command of the marine guard on the U. S. steamer Nipsic and ordering him to report in arrest to the commandant of the New York Navy Yard. Lieut. Fisher was recently tried by court-martial for conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, and the findings of the court are now awaiting the action of the navy department. His detachment at this particular time is taken as evidence that the court found him guilty of the charges alleged against him, and imposed a severe sentence.

Shoe Factory Troubles to Cease.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 11.—The indications last night were that the shoe factory trouble, which has lasted here so long will be satisfactory terminated in all of the twenty-three factories next week. The state board of arbitration succeeded in bringing about several conferences in different factories between the firms and their men. Each side has made concessions in most of the factories stated, and it is believed the others will follow. The half holiday question, the main hitch, has been settled by the men agreeing to work in the busy season.

Iron Moulders 'Confer.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 11.—A dozen iron molders, representing local knights of labor assemblies in Albany, Philadelphia, Reading, Detroit, Pittsburg, and New Britain, Conn., have been in convention here three days, the outcome of which is the formation of a national trades assembly. James F. Powers of Philadelphia was elected national trade district master workman, Michael McGuire of Detroit worthy foreman, and William Bombaner of Cleveland secretary and treasurer.

Some Serious Charges.

NEWBURG, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Leonard O. Winans, charged with assaulting little girls, was held yesterday to await the action of the grand jury. Winans has long been prominent in secret societies, and his expulsion is likely to follow the about revelation. Judge Brown, of the supreme court, fixed bail at $2,000. Winans is about fifty years old.

Trying the Lunatic Dodge.

NEWBURG, Dec. 11.—Jack Allen, who killed an old lady near Jeffersonville, Sullivan county, last fall, is now in Monticello jail awaiting trial, and is assuming the role of a lunatic. He refuses food, shouts and screeches constantly, and tears his clothing and bedding into shreds.

The Glassworkers' Strike.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 11.—The strike of the table glassware workers against the rules adopted by the manufacturers was inaugurated yesterday. Every factory in the city but one is closed, and 5,000 men are idle. Both sides are firm and a protracted struggle is probable.

Freight Trains Collide.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 11.—Two freight trains on the Pittsburg and Lake Erie railroad collided near this city at an early hour yesterday morning. Eight cars and an engine were completely demolished. Fireman Knew was seriously, put not fatally hurt. The loss was $15,000.

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Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.19, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9 29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

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RIVAL OF THE KNIGHTS OF LABOR.

Important Convention of the American Federation of Labor.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 11.—A number of delegates from New England and the west to the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, which meets here next Monday, arrived yesterday. The convention will be the most important meeting ever held in the city of Baltimore in the interest of workingmen. The executive council of the Federation is composed of George E. Mac on, treasurer of the carpenters' brotherhood; P. J. McGuire, secretary of the brotherhood of carpenters and joiners; James W. Smith, vice-president of the tailors' national union; Samuel Gompers, president of the cigarmakers' international union, and George Harris, president of the national federation of miners and mine laborers.

One hundred delegates are expected, and these will represent a constituency of over 60,000. The cigarmakers' unions all over the country have used their influence to make the new organization a success. The knights of labor having extended the olive branch it is believed that an effort will be made in the convention to establish more harmonious relations with the knights. But a prominent member of the Federation said that neither Mr. Powderly nor any of the knights of labor leaders would be permitted to dictate any policy for the Federation.

An Old Soldier and His Wife Dying.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 11.—John Buckley was found dying of pneumonia in the loft of an old barn on Beckerman street yesterday afternoon. A few feet away was found the dead body of his wife. They had been living in the barn for several weeks, and Mrs. Buckley, while attending her husband, was stricken down and died. Buckley was almost starved to death, and presented a horrible sight. He did not seem to care about himself, but was deeply troubled about how he could bury his wife. Buckley was a member of the Twenty-ninth Connecticut volunteers during the war, and as soon as he was found Admiral Foote Post, G. A. R., had him sent to the hospital. It is doubtful if he will recover. The body of Mrs. Buckley will be buried at the expense of the post.

Championship Season Not Shortened.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 11.—The baseball men finished their convention, and at 10 o'clock last night the local club representatives are about the only baseball men in the city. Little actual business was done yesterday. The championship season will not be shortened, but will begin on April 21 and end on October 15, making 140 games and allowing two days for postponed games. It was also decided to hold the schedule meetings in Brooklyn on the first Monday in March. The increased rates In railroad fares last season used up much of the club receipts, and the baseball managers will make a strong effort to get the railroads to allow travelling clubs reduced rates. The clubs are also given the privilege to change the schedule so as to play the games on Sunday if they so desire.

Cotton Spinners Want an Advance.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 11.—Secretary Howard of the cotton spinners' union issued a circular calling a general meeting of cotton spinners to be held on Tuesday. The object of the meeting is to consider, the condition of the cloth market, and the prospects of an advance in wages. The result of the meeting is awaited with interest, and it is very likely that a demand for another ten per cent. advance will be made. The condition of the print cloth market warrants a return of at least part of the reduction made in 1881.

Superstitious Railroad Men.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 11.—Two freight trains on the Cincinnatti Southern railroad were in collision at Darwin, Tenn. The engine of the rear train was overturned, crushing the fireman, William Hutsell, and maiming the engineer, David O'Donnell. Two weeks ago on Friday the engineer and fireman in charge of the same engine were killed in a wreck at Nemo. The superstition of trainmen is so strong that new hands cannot be found to man the train.

A Connecticut Teacher Becomes Insane.

NORWICH, Conn., Dec. 11.—Amos A. Dewitt, for twenty years a teacher of the public school on Norwich Town Green, was yesterday removed to the state insane asylum at Middletown. He has made no acquaintance among the townsfolk, and his only friends were his cooks. He was a graduate of Brown's university, but beyond that little is known of his history. For a few months he has acted strangely, and it is supposed that over-study deranged his mind.

Almost Clubbed to Death.

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., Dec. 11.—The town of Cromwell is greatly excited over a brutal assault made upon Jacob Simons, an old man, Thursday night. The ringleader of his assailants was Edgar Briggs. Simons was clubbed almost to death, and is now only just alive. One of Simons's eyes was put out, and his body was frightly mangled Briggs is now in hiding.

Horse Thieves Killed.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 11.—A party of men near Bear City, Kan., chased a party of horse thieves into the Panhandle on Thursday and killed three of them. A relative of "Bob" Farnsworth, the desperado, was among the pursuing party and was injured. Others were wounded slightly. This breaks up the gang.

Oyster Planters in Distress.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11.—The failure of the oyster crop along the Delaware bay has caused great distress among the planters.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

The Welland canal was closed Saturday for the winter.

A despatch from Montreal says Terrebonne college was destroyed by fire on Friday.

The Marks block, St. Stephen, in St. John, N. B., was burned Saturday. Loss about $30,000.

During the last fiscal month the Dominion of Canada expended $554,750 in excess of revenue

Only guests of Boston hotels can get a shave on Sunday. Judge Handy so decided in the Bernard Verne case yesterday.

Captain Warren, of Victoria, B. C., has filed claims amounting to $300,000 against the United States for sealing vessels seized in Behring sea.

The big timber raft from St. John, N. B., is now coming towards New York in tow of the steamer Miranda at the rate of four and a half miles an hour.

John Pratt ran away from Barnegat, N. J., to escape arrest for seduction, but he returned Saturday night under arrest, and now wants to marry his victim.

John Kennedy was charged with stealing 8,150 bushels of wheat from Richmond elevator, Buffalo, in September, 1886. Saturday, after trial, he was acquitted.

CARE OF THE TEETH.

A Dentist Advises the Use of Cold Water with the Brush.

"What should a man use to clean his teeth?" was the question asked of a well-known dentist recently by the Boston *Saturday Evening Gazette*. The dentist replied at once: "Nothing but water. There are more good teeth ruined by so-called dentifrices than by all other causes in the world put together. The object of the makers of these dentifrices is, of course, to produce a preparation that will, with very little rubbing of the brush, make the teeth look perfectly clean and white. To accomplish this they use pumice-stone, and sometimes strong alkalis, in their preparations. Pumice-stone will unquestionably take all the tartar off the teeth, and will also, just as unquestionably, take all the enamel with it. An alkali will make a yellow tooth look white in a few seconds, but before a week has passed it will have eaten away nearly all the enamel and utterly destroyed the tooth. In walking along the street you often see a 'fakir' by way of advertising his patent dentifrice, call a small boy from the crowd, and, opening the boy's mouth rub the dentifrice on his dirty teeth, and in a minute, almost, take off all the tartar, and make the teeth look perfectly pure and white. Now, a man like that fakir ought to be arrested, for he has forever destroyed that boy's teeth. His preparation, composed of a powerful alkali, is eating away the enamel of the boy's teeth, and in a few months the poor youngster will not have a sound tooth in his head. The dentifrices composed chiefly of pumice-stone are not as bad as those containing an alkali, because they will not destroy the teeth so quickly; but if used habitually they will as certainly destroy them in the end.

"I should advise a man by all means to use no dentifrice of any description, unless it be prepared chalk. If this is used not oftener than once a week it will not injure the teeth, and may help to cleanse them, but it should on no account be used every day. Orris root does the teeth no harm, and gives a pleasant odor to the breath; and if all our dentifrices were composed simply of orris root and prepared chalk they would be harmless enough, if not beneficial. My own plan is to use a moderately hard brush and plenty of cold water, and nothing else, and my teeth are in excellent condition. If people would only pick their teeth carefully after each meal, making sure that not the slightest particle of food remained near the gums or between the teeth, they would not have any necessity for a dentifrice. Of course sweets and candies are bad for the teeth; so is smoking, or taking either very cold or hot drinks; but, bad as all these undoubtedly are, I really think that the worst enemy the tooth has is the so-called dentrifice. Take the advice of a dentist, and never use any thing for your teeth but a brush and good cold water."

ROMANCE OF A RING.

An Engagement Almost Broken by a Young Woman's Gambling Craze.

A pawnbroker sat in the rear room and mused, says the Pittsburgh *Dispatch*. Nobody could blame him for thus idling his time away, for it was Sunday and there was absolutely nothing for the poor man to do but sit and muse. He had been to church in the morning. He expected to go again in the evening, so the weight of sins unatoned did not press heavily on his soul. On the contrary, he was light-hearted and happy. So much so that when a reporter wandered into his cosy quarters the genera self-satisfied expression of his countenance spread into a smile of hearty welcome.

"Speaking of rings reminds me of an engagement that was almost broken off a couple of months ago. The young lady in the case lives—well, in this city. She is very fond of base-ball—so fond, in fact, that she watched the games very closely last season, and had a bet or two on every one of them. The first part of the season she won, but along about August she commenced to lose. Her pocket-money went to pay her losses, and when that was gone she commenced to pawn her valuables. Her watch was brought to me first, but her father missed that and she had to redeem it the next day or be found out. Then she pawned a set of eardrops, and finally she brought me a diamond ring, which I noticed she took off the first finger of her left hand. I suspected she was gambling, and I hesitated about taking the ring, but she answerd me she wanted only a little money to pay a bill, and would be able to redeem it in a few days.

"I guess it was about a week later when she pushed into my shop again. She was very much excited, and I knew something was wrong. As soon as she could get her breath she pulled her watch out and wanted to know if I would accept it in exchange for her ring. I knew her family very well, so I told her that I would not accommodate her unless she told me what was the matter. She refused at first, but finally she came to terms, and told me the whole story. The ring was her engagement.

"Her lover had been away, but he had come home suddenly, and had missed the little golden pledge of their engagement the first thing. She had satisfied him by saying she had left it on her washstand, but that excuse wouldn't work more than once, so she had to have the ring or confess, and confession would mean war. Well, I gave her the ring and let her keep the watch, too. She quit betting, and a week later paid me all she owed me. A couple of weeks ago she was married, and I am inclined to think she is a better wife than she would be if she hadn't learned that little lesson on gambling."

And Yet He Favors Her.

Man finds any amount of fault with woman, yet works tooth and nail to get her. He calls her extravagant, yet yearns to pay her bills. She's heartless, but he devotes months to finding the spot where that heart should be. She's fickle, yet he struggles for a place in her affections. She's timid, but he, noble creature, has courage for two. She's a fraud, but a darling. She's a goose, but a duck. She's snippy, and sweet. In fact, she's a chameleon, in the very latest style of spots and dots and feathers and fixings. She's lithe and graceful and dainty and dear—and changeable as the wind. Yet she's a most desirable article of household furnishing, and there are mighty few men who want to get along without her, chameleon- in a bustle—though she be.

A cute Reasoning.

A Hartford little one was desirous of obtaining something on the sitting-room shelf. Its mother said quietly but firmly: "You can not have it." A few moments after the mother left the room, and the little one climbed up and got the coveted article. "I thought I told you you couldn't have it," said her mother as she returned to the room. "I know it; but you didn't say I couldn't get it." The course of reasoning was so very acute that the mother was forced to submit.

LANDING EMIGRANTS.

Castle Garden's Methods of Transferring and Protecting Them.

Three million seven hundred and fifty thousand eight hundred and twenty-four immigrants have been landed up to date at the emigrant-landing depot at the Castle Garden wharf since 1873, says the New York *Star*. In other words, over one-twentieth of the entire population of the United States has, within fourteen years, been landed at Castle Garden.

The entire management of this immense transfer of human lives is dependent upon the genial-mannered Captain John E. Moore and his efficient clerk, Mr. George W. Essinger, who was born in Castle Garden, his father at the time being one of the officers in charge who had his apartments in the building. Mrs. Essinger, the mother of George, is to-day the matron, who has charge of the German and Swedish immigrants seeking employment in the labor bureau.

To thoroughly understand the immense interests that are at stake in this, the greatest transfer business in the world, it is necessary to enter into statistics. There are twenty-four steamship lines that land passengers at Castle Garden. A complete record of these is kept from their departure from Europe, as the agents at the different ports telegraph to the agents here of the various companies how many emigrants are on each ship. When they are landed here a complete record is kept of each passenger, where he or she came from and what his or her destination.

The landing system is as perfect as it is possible to make it. No sooner is a steamer reported off Fire Island lightship or Sandy Hook than a swift tug is dispatched by Captain Moore to get the mails. These tugs are in charge of the ablest and most careful pilots. They have full steam on night and day, as they are liable to be called on at any moment, either to tow a steamer out, aid one in distress, or hurry down and get the mails. No sooner do they run alongside a big ocean mail steamer than the bags of letters and papers are thrown on board. At the same time the purser of the ship hands out copies of his lists of passengers for the agent of the steamer's line. This accounts for the fact that before a steamer has got to her dock the lists of passengers are already in type.

A big ocean steamer, having on board from nine hundred to one thousand passengers, is often detained several hours at quarantine, especially if the passengers hail from sunny, dirty and infected Italy. As the steamer is signaled coming up, Captain Moore will dispatch either the transfer boats Starr, Moore or Rosa, each having in tow an immense barge. On board there will be the custom-house officers and the boarding officers especially appointed by the Commissioners of Emigration. These are Messrs. Philip Wagner, Charles Eichler, Philip Hurlich, George Whitlock, James Gould and John Matson.

In no other country in the world is there extended such protection and assistance to the stranger on land than is given by the Commissioners of Emigration here. It is the duty of the boarding officer to inquire of all the passengers as to their treatment on board the ship while coming out; then as to their destination and condition.

Many young innocent girls would have been entrapped and ruined, if not lost forever, but for the care of the officers.

Then, again, not a day passes but what these boarding officers discover cases of the utmost destitution—cripples, idiots, paupers, sent out from Europe to die here. As there is already enough of poverty in this land without importing more, these unfortunates are at once separated from the other passengers and sent to Ward's Island to be returned to the Government that sent them to the land of the free.

A more distressing, exciting scene can not be imagined than one that took place a few days ago when seven steamers, having ten thousand passengers among them, coming from Italy, Spain, France, Germany, Norway and the British isles, were landed simultaneously at Castle Garden.

The steamers coming in before sunset had the law on their side, and compeled the Commissioners of Emigration to remove the immigrants from the ships. To the companies it was a saving of hundreds of dollars. To the commissioners it was the herding of people in a worse way than cattle—an awful confusion in every part of the garden. To dispose of all was a herculean task, but it was done. Captain Moore dispatched all of his barges, transfer boats and tugs to the several ships.

One boat after another came. There were Italians, Greeks, and Turks, Spaniards and French, Germans—and by this we mean that vast territory of the German empire, with its different dialects. Then came Norwegians, Swedes and Danes, English, Irish and Scotch; and had the Tower of Babel suddenly toppled over in New York nothing more confusing could have been imagined. Cool, collected Commissioner Stephenson, quiet, pleasant-faced Commissioner Starr, sympathetic, gentlemanly Commissioner Hasnit, were all there. Employes must not lose their temper or abuse immigrants, no matter how insolent they may be.

All have to be registered at landing, as a matter of precaution; and it is astonishing how many linguists hold humble positions of this kind at Castle Garden. No sooner is a passenger registered and his or her destination entered in the receiving book than they are passed on to the railroad agents. These men are all in uniform, and one, Adam Scheller, is a linguist, who directs the immigrant to the road he has to take.

It is amusing, and at the same time pathetic, to notice how few of the thousands who land know any thing about this country. Many and many land here thinking that the United States is like any European country—a few hundred miles in extent. When some are told that it takes five and six days by railroad to go to California they stand aghast. Many have thought that Chicago was an adjunct of New York, and as to Minnesota, Utah, Nebraska, why, it would only take a few days at most to get there.

These are the people who, landing here, will in the course of a few years have their vineyards in California, their wheat-fields in Minnesota, their orange groves in Florida. They will get rich tilling the soil, raising cotton, and railroads will have to be built to rapidly transfer for exportation the fruits of the labor of the humble immigrants landed at Castle Garden.

"See a Pin," Etc.

A Geneseo man who pins much faith on the theory that "see a pin and pick it up and all day you will have good luck," saw a pin the other morning, and stooping suddenly to pick it up, his new hat fell off and rolled away in the dusty street, his collar split open, his tie came off, a lucky pin he picked up the day before and secreted in his vest jabbed him in the stomach and both his hind gallus buttons came off. He immediately found comfort in the thought that "a bad beginning makes a good ending."

OLD AGE IN ANIMALS.

Well-Authenticated Cases of Longevity in Birds, Beasts and Fish.

Statisticians assure us, says a London journal, that the mean duration of life in man has increased by fully seven years in the last half century. Whether our domesticated animals share in this advance is a point not easily ascertainable, though they must certainly benefit from the greater care generally bestowed upon them and from the increased efforts made to understand and supply their wants. The ancients were inclined to attribute length of days to such beasts or birds as they specially venerated, but, fabulous as many of their assumptions doubtless were, they yet seem to have been founded upon a true recognition of the classes or types of animals which often attain to a great age. Ravens, parrots, and among fishes the carp, have in modern times gone far to justify the former belief in their longevity. There is at the present time in the zoological gardens of Philadelphia a cockatoo known to be above eighty-five years old, the bird being still sprightly and thriving—"very garrulous and very cross." Until some two years ago the oldest inhabitant of our own collection was a black Vassa parrot from Madagascar, who died after a residence of fifty-four years in the Regent Park gardens. This was an adult bird when received there, but its age at that time was unknown. Another parrot died last year in Paris at the reputed age of one hundred and three years; and since it was handed down by will to several successive owners, its longevity may be accepted as a fact fully established. In France ravens have been known to live more than a hundred years, and there is one well authenticated instance of an octogenarian pelican. Geese are naturally a long-lived family, and there are several records of birds attaining to sixty or seventy years. A skylark is known to have lived twenty-four years in a cage; and the death of a ring-dove was lately chronicled which had lived twenty-six years in confinement.

Carp are commonly recarded as the patriarchs of fresh water fish, though there is no actual proof that they outlive the members of some other species. Last year the famous lake on the Duke of Newcastle's estate at Clumber, which had not been emptied for two hundred years, was drained off, when thousands of pike were found, some of which, from their enormous size, were probably of unusual age; but in the absence of means of identification it is impossible to speak positively on this point. The extreme tameness and docility of carp led to the fashion of keeping them as pets, in which condition particular individuals came under closer scrutiny, and the records of very aged fish—from one hundred to two hundred years old—are numerous. One taken in Germany a year ago had a ring through its lower jaw, on which it was recorded that the bearer was placed in a particular water in 1618. This appears hardly credible, but there is little doubt that many carp have lived for upwards of a hundred years.

A notice lately appeared of the death of a brown water spaniel at the age of twenty-eight years. She had belonged to the same owner from a puppy, and died literally of "sheer old age." A few months before a cat died at the age of twenty-two years two months. These are very unusual ages, though it is probable that some individuals have lived still longer. Herivorous animals are generally thought to outlive carnivorous ones; and of the former class those dedicated to labor appear to furnish the largest number of instances of longevity. Two years ago a donkey died at Cromarty that was known to be at least one hundred and six years old. It could be traced back to the year 1779, when, at an unknown age, it came into the hands of the then Ross of Cromarty; and it lived in the same family, "hale and hearty," until a kick from a horse ended its career. No horse is known to have attained to any thing like such an as this; but a few have lived to ages varying from forty to fifty years. A famous old barge-horse died at Warrington in his sixty-second year; and the oldest horse known in New York was, until quite recently, doing steady work there at thirty-eight years of age. A few months ago, also, a mule forty-six years old died at Philadelphia.

Obviously there can be but few reliable data for determining the average ages of wild animals, and our nearest approximations must be founded upon the observation of similar creatures in a state of captivity. Some of the reptiles undoubtedly live very long. Gilbert White, who had personal knowledge of a tortoise thirty years old, records the tradition of another supposed to be one hundred. Our knowledge of the duration of certain forms of insect life is very inadequate, and it was a genuine surprise to most of us to hear that Sir John Lubbock had been on friendly terms with a "queen ant" for fourteen years. Of all aged animals the horse and the dog appeal most nearly to human sympathies. It is not merely that they have been our faithful servants and friends, but there is a gravity, and almost a dignity, in their bearing which is very touching. Many agencies are now at work for teaching the policy as well as the duty of kindness to animals, and of these, the sight of an old servitor loyally bestowed in paddock or kennel is not the least instructive. Nor need a charge of this kind be without profit. The care of our four-footed friends in their declining years may furnish many valuable hints for the treatment of their still serviceable fellows.

Discovery of a New Gas.

The discovery of a new gas is a rare and important event to chemists. Such a discovery has been announced in Germany by Dr. Theodore Curtius, who has succeeded in preparing the long-sought hydride of nitrogen, amibogen, dismide or hydrazine, as it is variously called. This remarkable body, which has hitherto baffled all attempts at isolation, is now shown to be a gas perfectly stable up to a very high temperature, of a peculiar odor, differing from that of amonia, exceedingly soluble in water, and of basic properties. In composition it is nearly identical with ammonia, both being compounds of nitrogen and hydrogen.

Dakota Enterprise.

An enthusiastic Dakota town-site agent was pleading with a Chicagoan to buy some lots in Spreaderville and solemnly informed him that this was his last chance, as there would be a building on every lot in a month. "How many buildings are there in the town now?" inquired the Chicago man. "Well—er—ther ain't any yet, but they're going to put some up right away. Here's the church, here the school-house, here the jail"— "What on earth do you want a jail for?" interrupted the Chicagoan. "Why—er—er—why that's to imprison the crowds that are trying to steal these lots. 'Sh-yer last chance."

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BY THE WAY.

—The hackmen and others about the depot engaged in a friendly game of football this forenoon.

—A depot will be established on the new railroad running from South Plainfield to Roselle, at a point known as Oak Tree.

—The *Central New Jersey Times* of this week will publish the sermon on Probation, lately delivered by the Rev. W. R. Richards.

—Mr. Charles W. McCutchen will give a business talk to young men at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

—At the close of the service in the First Presbyterian church on Sunday morning, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

—A steam-fitter named McDermott, in the employ of Messrs. H. B. Smith & Co., of New York, fell and broke his wrist at the Pond Tool Works, yesterday.

—To-night the Board of Fire Commissioners will "come together," and, if possible, adjudicate matters. They will meet in the City Court room at 8 o'clock.

—The Crescent will be opened for roller skating again on the Mondays following Christmas and New Year's days, Dec. 26 and Jan. 2. There will be music by a full band.

—The educational class of the Y. M. C. A. will meet as usual for the study of English branches, this evening, at 7.30 o'clock. For information enquire at the rooms.

—The new chapel of the Bethel Mission will be dedicated on Sunday next, the 18th inst. Further particulars regarding time and programme will be published in these columns, when arranged.

—The school children are happy in anticipation of their holiday vacation, which begins with the close of the session on Friday, the 23d instant, and continues for the remainder of the year.

—The work of removing the electric light poles and wires from North Plainfield pursuant to a resolution passed by the Borough Council at its meeting on Friday evening, has not yet begun.

—To-morrow is regular Club shoot day on the Middlesex Gun Club grounds at Dunellen. In the afternoon the regular monthly contest for the Live Pigeon trophy will take place. Sweepstake shooting all day.

—The sale in the "Y" rooms by the little children of the Ministering League of Grace church, that opened this afternoon, will be continued this evening. The proceeds are to be added to the building fund for the new church, and much encouragement is due the little ones.

—Where an oil lamp now burns dimly on some of the streets in the Borough, bright naptha lamps of the improved Philadelphia standard make with patent gas generating apparatus, will soon replace them, and North Plainfielders can hereafter venture out after dark without the fear of cracking their shins or being molested by tramps.

—Failure to advertise their coming in proper time, may somewhat account for the audience of less than than 100 who were all that were present at the presentation of "Deacon Brodie," by Edward J. Henley's meritorious company, at Music Hall, last evening. In spite of the poor house, the company proved its good faith with the public by producing the play in a commendable manner.

—Before Justice Wadsworth this morning, in the matter of the complaint of August Disse against Henry Stanton for assault and battery, the testimony of the complainant and defendant, each under oath, was in direct conflict. The Justice decided that the statements of the defendant showed at least a presumption of technical guilt and held him in his own recognizance in the sum of $100 to await the action of the Grand Jury.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

CROWELL WINS.

ELIZABETH, 4:30 p. m.—The Board of Canvassers have just completed their labors, and declare John L. Crowell elected County Clerk by 25 majority.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mr. George Pearce of Easton, Pa., is visiting friends in this city.

Mrs. Wilson Fulper of Flemington, is the guest today of friends on West Fourth street.

Officer Grant proposes to ask for a month's leave of absence, on account of ill health.

Mr. Frank VanWinkle, son of ex-City Treasurer VanWinkle, was married Nov. 2d at Roseville, N. J., to Miss Flora A. Hill, of that place.

Mr. J. B. Kline, the gentlemanly ticket agent at the depot, is recovering from a siege of sickness which has confined him to the house for a week past.

Rev. Mr. Sykes, of the All Saints' church at Scotch Plains officiated in the Netherwood Union Chapel on Sunday morning, and conducted a communion service. Rev. W. J. Leonard occupied the pulpit in All Saints' church at the morning service.

Eddie, son of Mr. Hardingham of Summit avenue, North Plainfield, while returning to school from dinner, this afternoon, fell in jumping over a hitching post and dislocated both bones of his right forearm. He was at once taken by Mr. Blatz to Doctor Rushmore who reduced the dislocation.

Republican Meeting.

A fair representation of the Republican voters of the city met in the Republican Association rooms last evening for the purpose of electing five delegates to the National Convention of Republican clubs which meets at Chickering Hall, N. Y., on Thursday and continues for three days, and for the transaction of other routine business. Chairman E. R. Pope presided and in the absence of the secretary, Mr. F. A. Dunham was chosen secretary *pro tem.* The following delegates were chosen to represent the Association at the National Convention: Messrs. John Ulrich, J. Fred. MacDonald, F. A. Dunham, Geo. M. Stiles, Francis E. Marsh. The following were selected as alternates: Messrs. W. R. Codington, J. B. Coward, J. Frank Hubbard, A. Vandebeck, J. H. Doane. Upon motion of Mr. Coward a committee of five was appointed to consider the matter of reorganization so as to make the association a permanent organization, and to submit plans for providing amusement, a reading room, etc. The committee was requested to report at the next meeting of the association early in January. It consists of the following: Messrs. J. B. Coward, Chas. H. Hand, Geo. M. Stiles, C. M. Goddard, Henry Hanchett.

Warren Union Mission.

The annual business meeting of the Warren Union Mission society, which was adjourned from Dec. 4 to last evening, took place in the chapel at eight o'clock. A large representation of the society was present. In the absence of the President, Vice President M. M. Dunham was chairman. After the general routine of business, the election of officers and trustees took place. A communication from Mr. C. W. Hillman, the present Superintendent, was read by the secretary, tendering his resignation on account of ill health. No nominations were made for this office and a committee was appointed to procure a candidate and report at a future meeting. The following were continued in office for 1888.

Vice President and asst. Supt—M. M. Dunham.
Secretary—E. B. Ryder.
Treasurer—C. B. Corwin.
Librarian—C. B. Corwin.
Asst. Librarian—George Squires.
Trustees—M. M. Dunham from Crescent Avenue church; F. H. Gardner from First Baptist church, and David Ryno from M. E. church.

The subject of the Christmas celebration was considered and the different Committees in charge aeported as doing all in their power to make a glad time for all. The meeting then adjourned.

New Officers of the Royal Arcanum.

At the annual meeting of Plainfield Council, 711, Royal Arcanum, held last evening, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

Regent—R. M. Stover.
Vice Regent—A. W. Rand.
Past Regent—W. J. Leonard.
Orator—Rev. Edward Love.
Secretary—H. A. Thorne.
Collector—L. M. Stover.
Treasurer—T. R. Cone.
Chaplain—E. W. Conklin.
Guide—A. B. Dodge.
Warden—C. J. Feytel.
Sentry—Emil Dreier.
Organist—E. A. C. Woltmann.
Trustees—Seymour Marsh, J. E. Christiant, E. A. C. Woltmann.
Representative to Grand Council—W. J. Leonard. Alternate—Rev. E. M. Rodman.

—Saturday was known as the poet Whittier's natal day.

THE NEW CHIEF OF POLICE.

Councilman Tunis J. Carey on the Road to Appointment.

The nomination by the Mayor and the confirmation by the Council, last evening, of Tunis J. Carey as a regular policeman, seems to betoken the appointment of Mr. Carey as Chief of Police, as suggested by THE PRESS of Saturday, Dec. 3d. The ordinance to create and define the duties of a Board of Police and a police force, provides that the Board of Police may designate, "for the time being," a member of the regular police as Chief of the Police force.

It is not probable that Mr. Carey will resign his office of Councilman at once, as he wishes to vote upon the granting of licenses and other matters of vital interest to the city's prosperity. The charter says "the members of the Common Council shall not receive, directly or indirectly, any compensation for the performance of their official duties." But it might be held that the salary Mr. Carey will receive as a regular policeman is not "compensation for the performance of official duties" *as a Councilman.*

As Chairman of the Police Committee, Mr. Carey is a member of the Police Board, and as such is entitled to a vote upon his own appointment as Chief of the Plainfield Police force. The Board is composed of Mayor Male, President Marsh of the Council, and Councilmen Carey, Voorhees and Dunham. As the Mayor appointed Mr. Carey, and Messrs. Marsh and Voorhees voted for his confirmation, last evening, a majority of the Board is thus placed on record in his favor. Of course, all complications we have outlined would vanish should Mr. Carey resign as Councilman. In that case his vacancy would be filled by another Republican, and equally of course, by another license Councilman, as the vote would still be six to four in favor of license.

The Y's Chocolate.

Besides the Y's own room, the whole house occupied by that association and the W. C. T. U., was thrown open, last evening, to the guests and members of the Young Women's Union. The occasion was a "chocolate" arranged for the purpose of welcoming in from the wicked streets young men who had not otherwise the opportunity of enjoying evenings of social purity and pleasure. The Y's parlor was handsomely decorated with evergreens and other means of adornment, and an atmosphere of hospitality pervaded all the halls and rooms. During the evening Miss Alice Smith and Mr. Wallace Serrell favored the gathering with some pleasing piano selections charmingly played. Soon after nine o'clock, chocolate and wafers were served by the committee of arrangements—Miss Addie McGee, chairman, Miss Nettie L. French, Miss Kitty Newell, Miss Maggie Manning and Miss R. V. Benton. A number of young men signed the Y's pledge, and in every way was the affair such a success that others must follow.

Physical Culture by Miss Thomas.

Miss Julia Thomas will lecture this evening in Reform Hall on "Physical Perfection," under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. Miss Thomas is an apostle of the beautiful in its most common sense aspect. One of the foremost teachers of athletics in New York city, she is herself the embodiment of womanly physical development and grace. She is an advocate of dress reform from a practical standpoint, as her own beautiful costumes show. Those who were fortunate enough to hear her at the Ocean Grove Convention will remember the enthusiasm created and manifested by the audience, particularly the clergy, who so warmly endorsed her advanced ideas. A rare treat is in store for those who hear her. Admission free.

—Rehearsal for Christmas music at the Mission Chapel to-night, commencing at quarter past seven o'clock.

—The annual election of officers of Winfield Scott Post, No. 73, G. A. R. of this city, will take place this evening. Considerable canvassing is being done by members of the Post today.

—Sullivan's blows are knock-downs because they come from the shoulder. My goods are knock-downs to high prices because they come straight from the manufacturer. Collier—3 Park avenue.

—A new building is being added to the Trenton State Lunatic Asylum. It cost $100,000, and will hold 300 more patients. The present building has 715 patients, with accommodations for only 500.

—An adjourned meeting of the Exempt Firemen's Association of this city was to have been held in Gazelle Engine house last evening, but for want of a quorum adjournment was made until the regular meeting night in January.

—Constable Smith on Saturday arrested Mrs. Jane Rothenhausen on a warrant issued by Judge Wadsworth, charged by Mrs. D. Squires of Stiger Alley, with assault. She was arraigned before the Judge, who severely reprimanded her, and ordered her release.

OLD KING COAL.

Correspondents Who Claim There Is No Necessity for High Prices.

We present below two communications that speak for themselves. They are from correspondents who know of what they write, yet they may be mistaken when they come to figure what coal costs dealers in this city. At Rahway, New Brunswick and several other places in our immediate neighborhood, the Plainfield dealers say the price of all grades is $7.50 per ton. It is difficult to believe that the quotations of cost given below, can be correct, as one of the most prominent dealers of the combine in this city says he has "given an order for coal at a cost of $5.80 per ton at the mines."

THE MARKET PRICE.

DEAR SIR:—In answer to your inquiry we would say, the wholesale prices of coal today in this market, are as follows, with scarcely any demand:

Furnace—gross tons	$4.25
Egg " "	4.40
Range " "	4.90
Retail price net tons	5.50

It costs 40 cents per ton more to transport coal to New York than to Plainfield.

Dec. 10, 1887. * * * & Co.

ADVISING CUT RATES.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—I am informed upon the most reliable authority that the Anthracite coal trade is next to *nil*, except as to the filling of last Summer's orders at the lowest prices of the year; yet in Plainfield we see confronting us the enormous price of $6.50 per ton of 2,000 lbs. Even if the coal dealers in Plainfield should have to pay the highest line price, their coal would cost them, delivered here, the following prices:

Egg (furnace) ton 2,000 lbs	$3.80
Stove and Nut " "	4 05

The dealers buy gross tons, but the above is what *net* tons cost them at present, when they pay the highest prices asked, (how much less they pay than the above, is best known to themselves.) As they sell 2,000 pounds to a ton the estimate is made to show how much profit they are making out of the *dear people.* It seems to me that *now* is an opportune time for some dealer to make a name and fame for himself, by offering coal to the public at a *fair price;* he certainly would secure a foothold here that would be a lasting foundation for his business. Let the men who have been selling coal at 15 cents per ton less than the combination, sell it now at $1.25 per ton less—as they can afford to do—and a grateful people will stand by them in the future against all opposition. There could a story be told in relation to the opposition these men have had (who were selling at 15 cents per ton less than the ring) that would astonish the natives, how an attempt was made to ruin their business, etc., that we will reserve for the present. There is no plausible reason under the sun why coal should sell for more than $5.25 per net ton delivered to consumers in Plainfield. There is another unfair thing practiced by our dealers, which is the charging of 50 cents per ton for carrying coal into houses, when the *cost* to the dealers is only 25 cents per ton. (Of course there is no charge for carrying, where coal can be shoveled from wagons direct into cellar windows.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

Winter Prognostications.

The people who place their faith in the old-fashioned belief that the character of the three Winter months is indicated by the first three days of December, commonly known as "observation days," are more than a few. If anything reliable can be placed in this belief, we shall have a clear and cold December, a stormy January, and a foggy and generally wet February. Thus far for December the prophecy has not been fulfilled, but the month is not yet half gone.

—Our merchants are experiencing an increase in business as the holidays approach.

—Commander Wheeler has appointed the last meeting night in December as the time for the annual inspection of the different G. A. R. Posts of the State. In cases where the inspector is not able to be present, the senior past post commander present will perform the duty.

—David Freeman, a colored individual, became noisy and obstreperous from the effect of too much "mountain dew" this morning on Somerset street, North Plainfield, and was interviewed by Marshal Becker, who escorted him to the presence of His Honor, the Mayor, Justice Cooley, who, after hearing the evidence imposed a fine of $5 and costs, which the prisoner paid and was released.

—The first night of the Glassblowers at Laing's Hall was witnessed by a good-sized audience who pronounced the performance of Miss Millie Ammar, the second sight wonder, well worth the price of admission. Prof. Nichols, the gentleman who was selected to exhibit at the Centennial, has charge of the glass department and everything that can be made from glass is made by himself and assistants. Remember, everybody gets a present.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

More Electric Lights Granted—Councilman Carey Appointed a Regular Policeman—Other Details.

President Marsh called the City Council to order in adjourned session at 8:30 o'clock last evening, and the roll call showed the following other Councilmen present: Messrs. Bowers, Carey, Cox, Dumont, Taylor, Voorhees, Waring and Wilbur—9. Messers. Dunham and Simpson were absent. The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with, and applications for peddler's and cartmen's licenses were presented and referred as follows: Willard Dead, Joseph Ball, Jno Emmons, Frederick Gray, John Gray.

A communication was received from Lemuel W. Serrell, stating that he had communicated with the Street Commissioner fully two weeks ago with reference to macadamizing Plainfield avenue between Front street and the railroad; as the matter had never been brought before the Council, he took this method of presenting it. The paper stated that the property owners would pay $110 of the expense for macadamizing. It was referred to the Street Committee. Petitions were received as follows: From L. W. Serrell, asking for the extension of the electric Light service along West Front street to Grant avenue, and on Plainfield avenue; from Peter Hoagland, Geo. M. Phillips, Robt. E. Brand and others, asking for the extension of the service along West Front street, as far as Clinton avenue; from W. P. Smith, W. S. Darling, T. B. Bleecker, Jr., and many others, asking the Council to consider and grant their request to extend the system of incandescent lighting, so as to include Belvidere and Woodland avenues on Netherwood Heights; the territory mentionod represents thousands of dollars, and the introduction of electricity in that locality may be the means of having it introduced into private residences; from Messrs. E. Marx, E. R. Leland and others for similar service on E. Front street as far as Leland avenue. All of the above petitions were referred to the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee.

Claims were presented and referred as follows:

ELECTION BILLS.

W. W. Coriell, $9; Geo. W. Moore, $21; R. Dunham, $9; T. O. Doane, $18; V. W. Nash, $24; M. M. Thorn, $27; L. F. Wadsworth, $27; R. A. Meeker, $27; John F. Casey, $36; J. H. Doane, $27; F. A. Dunham, $27; A. Saltzman, $27; R. Merritt, $27; S. C. Ryder, $9; J. A. Demarest, $40; J. T. Vail, $40; O. B. Leonard, $34; E. D. Moffett, $18; W. B. Ayers, $6.

MISCELLANEOUS.

John Johnson $174.20 and $46.06; F. A. Dunham, $78.22 and $21.54; R. MacDonald, $3; J. T. Vail, $34.98; J. A. Thickstun, $353.77; Job Male, per itemized bill on account of detective service, $952.50; C. Jones, $7.50.

POOR.

P. Casey & Son, $15; A. M. Runyon & Son, $14; Geo. H Babcock, $40.

A communication was received from Mayor Male nominating as regular policeman, Tunis J. Carey. The nomination was unanimously confirmed.

Mr. Dumont submitted the following set of resolutions, commending ex-Chief Dodd's career while a member of the Plainfield police force. They were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the services of Captain Chas. W. Dodd as Chief of Police of the City of Plainfield, have been such as to entitle him to public commendation; that his duties during the ten years he has served the city, have been faithfully, and, we believe, conscientiously performed, and have been in every way creditable to him as an officer.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Common Council, and that the City Clerk be directed to cause a copy of the same to be engrossed and sent to Captain Dodd.

J. B. DUMONT, }
ROWLAND COY. } Committee.

Mr. Bowers from the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee, reported on the petitions for extra street lights and recommended the location of lamps as follows: On East Front street between Farragut and Leland avenues, five incandescent lamps; on West Front street, between Plainfield and Clinton avenues, 12 or 15 lamps as the Committee may deem necessary; at Netherwood Heights, three lamps on Belvidere avenue, and one on Woodland avenue; also one gasolene lamp displaced by electric light at Muhlenberg Hospital. The report was received and recommendation adopted, all voting aye.

Mr. Cox from the Laws and Ordinance Committee, returned as correct the bill of Mayor Male. It went to the Auditing Committee.

Mr. Wilbur, from the License Committee, returned, with the Committee's recommendation to grant, the above license petitions. The report was received and the recommendation adopted.

Mr. Dumont, from the Street Committee, reported back the communication from Mr. Serrell, with reference to macadamizing Plainfield avenue, and recommended that the same be referred to the next Council, as this year's appropriation for street purposes was about exhausted. The report was received.

The monthly statement of the treasurer and collector presented at a previous meeting, were returned from the Finance Committee by Mr. Taylor, and ordered on file. The same Councilman reported back as correct the bills referred to said Committee during the evening, in addition to two bills of Collector Johnson, $119.94 and $28.90, which were sent in at a former meeting. They were transferred to the Auditing Committee.

The Clerk stated, at the request of the Chair, that about the only unfinished business of any importance was the request for a pauper burial plot, but no action was taken in the matter.

Mr. Dumont made a motion which prevailed, that when the Council adjourn it be to meet again on Friday, Dec. 30.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Corporation Counsel Marsh was asked to give an opinion as to what time the assessments should be made so as to conform with the meeting of the County Board of Assessors. He said the object desired could be brought about by an amendment to the ordinance on page four of the book of general ordinances, so as to change the date of making assessments. Upon motion of Mr. Taylor, the Corporation Counsel was requested to prepare an amended ordinance and to present the same at the next meeting.

The following claims sent in at the last meeting were then taken from the table, referred to the proper committees and subsequently returned as correct and transferred into the hands of the Auditing Committee: John Ulrich, $75; Plainfield Gas Co., $21; N. Y. and N. J. Globe Gas Light Co., $169.49; Plainfield Electric Light Co., $350; J. P. Laire & Co., $49.60; J. H. Wilson, $569.08; Schwed Bros., $30; Times Printing Co., $23.20; R. H. Day, $2; est. D. J. Boice, $100; J. P. Homan, $34.45; F. A. Dunham, $10.

Mr. Dumont made a motion that the Auditing Committee report only on the election claims, the bills of the collector and that of Mayor Male for detective service. The motion was carried, all voting aye.

The Auditing Committee reported in conformity with the above motion, and the bills were ordered paid by warrants on the treasury.

Council then adjourned.

A Verdict of Fifty Cents.

An interesting case brought by Richard Schwerer vs. Michael Wunderlick to recover damages to the extent of $50, was tried before Justice Nodyne and the following Jury yesterday afternoon: C. F. Clirk, foreman, Samuel Randolph, Andrew Mattis, D. F. Randolph, Wm. Van Liew and Abram Angleman. The original state of demand was for $50, as above stated, but before the case was put on trial, the demand was modified, and $20 was placed as the amount of damage claimed. It appears that both the plaintiff and the defendant with their families occupy a double house on North avenue near Hill avenue, and each is the owner of a number of fowls. A high fence separates the two yards, both in front and in the rear of the premises. Each of the parties concerned in the suit, claimed that the other's chickens were a nuisance, and the plaintiff was obliged to kill a rooster or two in order to keep them home. About the middle of September Schwerer bought lumber and built a coop, wherein, he claims, he has since kept his chickens. Meanwhile Wunderlick's fowls continued to feed from his dooryard and scratch up large quantities of earth in order to get there. With the plaintiff, patience ceased to be a virtue, and he openly and with great emphasis declared to the defendant, that the latter's chickens were a nuisance. This did not have the same effect as throwing oil on the troubled waters, and on the 16th day of November, the plaintiff charges, Wunderlick deliberately wrenched from the hinges, the front gate leading to his (the plaintiff's) residence, which he threw in the front yard with great force, damaging the gate to the extent of $25. For this offence he brought suit to recover $25 damage, and an additional $25 for the damage done by the chickens. Each side was represented by counsel, ex-Corporation Counsel Suydam appearing for the plaintiff and City Judge Ulrich for the defence. Both families are German and some of the testimony had to be taken through an interpreter, which necessarily occupied much time. During the progress of the trial one of the jurymen put himself in the light of an examining magistrat, much to the discomfort of his fellow jurymen. The case occupied several hours and was given to the Jury about dusk. After a short deliberation the Jury returned a verdict of fifty cents and costs for the plaintiff, which is probably the smallest judgment ever rendered by a Jury in this city.

Mock Trial,

This evening in the Y. M. C. A. rooms a trial will be held that will bring forth the talent and power of expression of the young men of the Senior Society. Hon. John Ulrich will occupy the bench as Judge, and thus instruct and give zest to the case as presented in the mock trial. Attorneys Edward T. Perrine and H. L. Maxson will conduct the prosecution, and Counsellors F. B. Newman and W. Burroughs will appear for the defence. The invitation extended all to be present, includes the ladies.

REVOLT IN THE K. OF L.

A THUNDERBOLT FROM THE PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE.

Legal Steps to Be Taken to Make the General Secretary Give An Itemized Account of the Money.

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—The action taken yesterday by the revolting elements of the knights of labor, under the direction of the mysterious "provisional committee," fell like a thunderbolt upon the palace of the Powderly ring. It gives warning of the thing most dreaded by the steerers of the knights of labor machine, who, after emptying its treasury, stand out as an irresponsible body, not to be even questioned about the squandering of the funds which belong to the whole order and are raised by regular taxes and special assessments. It gives notice of a resort to legal process in the Philadelphia courts to compel a financial accounting that is sure to result in exposures confirmatory of even graver charges than any yet made by the leaders of the anti-Powderly revolt. In brief, it was determined at Sunday's conference that the assemblies should demand an itemized report of the past year's expenditures by the general executive board, including the large sum secretly disbursed to unknown parties for "special work;" and in case this just and proper demand should meet with the same refusal as similar demands previously made have met with, it was determined that suit should thereupon be entered for its enforcement.

This is the most alarming movement to the ring that could be undertaken by the anti-Powderly elements still remaining in the order, and it will soon appear that among those yet there are several of the chief members of the "Personal committee" itself. The attack upon the ring is from the inside of the order, not from the outside, and the assemblies most anxious for it are not liable to expulsion by Mr. Litchman for non-payment of dues. They mean to find out where their money has gone before they join the standard of revolt, and to ascertain whether irresponsibility can draw an impenetrable veil of secrecy over the general treasury of the order. When the case is thus brought into court, and the books, records and accounts at headquarters are opened, the public will have the opportunity of reaching the facts about many transactions and expenditures supposed to be secure against publicity.

Strange to say, the anti-ring leaders have assurance of support in New York, not only from the extruded district of ex-Brother Morrison, but even from District Assembly No. 49, and also from No. 64 and from the Motanks of Brooklyn. This, with the backing from Chicago, Detroit and elsewhere, constitutes a power in itself all sufficient for the heavy work in the hands of the provisional committee. The aid which the federation of labor is ready to offer will not be sought, but as that body is largely made up from members who seceded from Mr. Powderly's order when his board declared war upon trades unionism, its moral support will be regarded as a guarantee of success.

When the members of Mr. Powderly's executive board met in the palace yesterday, they had heard the crash of the thunderbolt launched by the provisional committee, or, rather, from the conference of representatives of assemblies in good standing under the shield. It is alleged that the general master was in his usual mood of serenity, as though nothing had occurred, and confident that all would be right after his appearance before district No. 1 next Thursday, but two at least of his colleagues were in a different frame of mind, and two others were grave with memories that have weighed upon their brain ever since the Minneapolis convention of last October. What means of defence were adopted or proposed cannot be told, but the signs at this time give ground for saying that a policy of placation or propitiation will be tried for all it is worth, and that promises to communicate a proper financial report and to obviate all causes of grievance will be made next Thursday in a style not unfamiliar to the assemblies in Philadelphia.

It must be remembered, when considering the present eruption, that it has not grown out of more idle rumors of rottenness in the palace, but out of the direct and specific charges of usurpation and financial corruption, "akin to boodleism," that were made by two of Mr. Powderly's colleagues in the executive board at the October convention. These charges were then reiterated, with the addition of details in the document there distributed under the title of "Why the Kickers kick," which showed that over $300,000 had been handled in the palace within a year by a body which refused to give any details of its disbursement. It is a desirable, for many reasons, that the frets should be brought out by a trial in the courts.

COLLECTOR AND COURT

The Chinese Question Nearly Causes a Rupture Between Federal Officials.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—The conflict of opinion existing between Collector Hager and the United States judges regarding the landing of Chinese on the plea of previous residence nearly resulted in a serious rupture between the executive and judicial branches of the federal government yesterday.

Thirty Chinese women arrived at this port within the past twenty days and were refused a landing by the collector on the ground that they were being imported for immoral purposes. All had been placed on board the City of Peking which sailed for China yesterday afternoon. Friends of the women obtained writs of habeas corpus directing the captain of the steamer to produce them in court at noon yesterday. At that hour Judges Sawyer and Sabin sat on the bench but the women did not appear. Milton Andrus, attorney for the steamship company, said that the writs had been served, but when an attempt was made to bring them a court deputy collector interfered and prevented them from leaving the steamer.

Judge Sawyer then said: "The order of the court is that these women be brought into court at once. This order will be enforced with the full power at the command of the court. If the custom house officials interfere to prevent the order of the court they do so at their peril, and risk indictment for interference with orders of the United States court.

It was finally decided that they should be brought into court at two o'clock and that it then should be decided what disposition should be made of the women.

The twenty women were brought into the court at two p. m. They were remanded into the custody of the United States marshal until the habeas corpus writs could be heard and decided.

To Issue One-Dollar Certificates.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Senator Stewart of Nevada will soon introduce a bill to suspend the coinage of the standard dollar and authorizing the issue of coin certificates on deposits of gold and silver bullion.

ANOTHER "COUNT" IN TROUBLE

As Usual, He Moved in the Best Society and Had a Rich Father.

Wilkesbarre, Dec. 12.—Considerable excitement was created in this city yesterday by the arrest of M. De Wolf, who calls himself a count and who has been here about six weeks, on a charge of swindling. He is accompanied by his wife, a charming young woman of twenty. He was introducing D. Appleton's finest works, but did not seem very industrious in the business. He spent most of his time in society, and had succeeded in obtaining an entry to the most fashionable circle.

He said that he was a count and that on the death of his father he would inherit large estates in Alsace-Loraine, but that five years ago his father had driven him from home on account of his refusal to wed a wealthy but elderly baroness. He had traveled extensively and finally came to Philadelphia, where he wooed and wedded his wife, a young lady of good family in Germantown. Such was the story he told and he was extensively lionized here.

It seems, however, that he had been systematically swindling D. Appleton by sending in many bogus orders, and on the strength of these drawing his commission. On Saturday the agent of the firm, Alfred Baker, arrived here to deliver the goods and discovered the fraud. Acting under instructions Mr. Baker had De Wolf arrested, and being unable to procure bail the count was committed to the county prison. His wife was distracted and vainly implored their friends to come to his assistance. She refuses to believe her husband is guilty of any wrong doing and will start to-day to intercede with D. Appleton in his behalf.

LIQUOR AND LOVE THE CAUSES.

An Increase of Over Fifty Per Cent. in Crime at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Dec. 13—The record of crime in this city during the present year shows an increase of 55 per cent. over the previous year. The suicides to date exceed the whole number in 1886, and the crime infanticide shows the striking gain of 80 per cent.

Coroner Ashbridge was asked to explain this surprising increase in crime, and in reply he said:

"Liquor and love are the two leading producers of crime, and these two items in the death rate of a great city bear a close relation to those causes. Of course there are other motives,—pure viciousness and cupidity in the homicides and despondency from lack of employment and sickness and trouble in the suicides, but nearly all can be traced to one of the two causes. For infanticides the number discovered is so infinestimal with the thousands committed every year that they really form but poor data on which to judge an increase. But the startling fact that the number of suicides and infanticides has advanced to a striking degree cannot be gainsaid. And a glance over the record will show many curious features in sudden deaths to-day."

A Veteran Dying.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 13.—Capt. Stephen G. Sluyter, who commanded one of the vessels engaged in laying the first Atlantic cable, is dying at his home, in this city. He was thrown from his horse while acting as assistant marshal at the dedication of the New Haven Soldier's monument in June receiving injuries from which he has not been able to recover. He served with distinction in the navy during the war. At the time of the New York draft riot in 1863 he was selected by Gen. Wool to protect the sub-treasury. His vessel lay off Wall street, and he was prepared to open with grape and cannister on the mob if the treasury building had been attacked. He afterward served in the north atlantic blockade squadron. After the war he was in business at Binghamton, N. Y., with Lieut-Gov. Jones. He is a member of the board of aldermen of this city, and also of the board of police commissioners. He has resided here since 1870.

Equalizing the Pay of Judges.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Senator Evarts submitted a memorial of the bar association of New York to-day in favor of the bill equalizing the pay of United States judges. The bill is that introduced by Mr. Evarts in the fiftieth congress and makes the pay of United States judges equal to that of the highest paid state judges. The memorial submitted by him to-day was a bulky one, and Senator Edmunds objected to its being printed in the Record. Mr. Evarts, however, persisted and carried his point without difficulty.

A Blind Man and His Companion Killed.

Camden, N. J., Dec. 13.—The dead and mangled bodies of two men were found early Monday morning at the side of the Camden and Atlantic railroad tracks, about a mile from this city. The bodies were subsequently identified as those of Alfred Stratton, aged 17, and Alonzo Hudson, aged 26, who resided in the neighborhood. Stratton was blind, and it is supposed that he and his companion were struck by a train while walking on the track.

Eloped With a Negro.

DETROIT, Dec. 19.—Jennie Smith, a school teacher, age twenty-two, Lamont, Mich., eloped with Alexander McGee a coal-black negro. She is the daughter of a well-to-do farmer. It is known now that they kept up a correspondence. Last week Miss Smith suddenly disappeared, leaving a note saying that she had gone to Dakota to join McGee. The negro met her in St. Paul, and it is supposed that they were married and went to their Dakota home.

A Western Bicycle Wonder.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 13.—Frank Dingley, the "Minneapolis Boy," who is now in his second year at profession bicycling succeeded in breaking the twenty-four hour record last night and is making his performance a remarkable one by riding 350 miles in that time. As a result of his great work he now holds all records from 67 to 350 miles. He easily wiped out Morgan's eight hour record, Prince's twelve hour record and Morgan's twenty-four hour record.

Eccentric William Reed's Corpse Found.

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 13.—Patrolman Aaron B. Steelman, of life saving station No. 19, on this beach, discovered a body at an early hour to-day on the strand. It is supposed to be the corpse of William Reed, the eccentric and wealthy iron and oil prospector of Pittsburg, who, with his mysterious electrical divining rod, went to Somer's Point in search of buried wrecks, supposed to contain treasure, and was drowned there from a small skiff on October 31.

Died From Delerium Tremens.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 13.—Saturday afternoon the death of Charles Setter occurred at the county hospital, where he was taken suffering with delirium tremens. His life of dissipation dates from the time of his receiving a large reward for the capture of Tiller, the St. Louis express robber.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 9, 1887.

Atkinson, Miss M A	Mullins, Miss Annie (2)
Brown, Harry	Peterson, Mrs Josie
Buckler James	Randolph, Mrs Jessie
Combes, Mrs H G	Rionce, Mrs Jane
Drake, A M	Robson, Miss Lucy
Euler, Mr F	Shultice, Mr Wm
Flagg, Miss Emily L	Scott, Mrs M J A
Felker, Miss Rebecca	Stansberry, Mrs Maria
Gardner, Peter	Scribner, Mrs Katie
Herenden, Mrs Ida (2)	Taylor, Jennie
Jackson, Miss Alice B	Thompson, Miss M H
Lane, Mrs Annie	Thompson, Miss May
McFarlie, L D	Wood, Geo M
Morris, Miss	Wilson, Mr K B
Martin, Miss Katie	Ward, Miss Maggie

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NEW YORK MAILS.

CLOSE—8.00 and 10.00 a. m.; 2.00 and 5.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—7.30, 8.50, 11.45 a. m.; 2.30, 5.30 p. m.

SOMERVILLE, EASTON, ETC., MAILS.

CLOSE—7.30 a. m. and 4.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—8.50 a. m. and 6.30 p. m.

SUNDAY MAILS.

Arrive at 5.10 a. m. Office open from 9.30 a. m. to 10.30 a. m. Mail closes at 7 p. m.

Mail for Warrenville closes Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 m.

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Owners of lock-boxes coming without their keys will please apply for their mail at the Side Delivery Windows.

Office Closed after 10 A.M. on all National Holidays.

Money order office open from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Saturdays to 4 p. m.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

MARRIAGES.

VAN WINKLE—HILL—At Roseville, N. J., Nov. 2d, 1887, by Rev. Mr. VanHorn, pastor M. E. Church, Mr. Frank Van Winkle, of this city, and Miss Flora A. Hill, of Roseville.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

COLLECTOR AND SALESMAN WANTED. AN energetic man, about 30 years of age to collect and sell through Union county. Horse and wagon furnished. Salary to start with, $12.00 weekly and expenses. The best of reference, and cash security to amount of $200 required. Address E. Francis, Plainfield N. J.

FIRST-CLASS NURSE DESIRES TO TAKE AN engagement in any sickness. Terms low. Good Massage rubber. First-class references. Mrs. Hamilton, corner 6th and Division streets, or Post office.

FOR SALE—NEW DWELLING HOUSE ON E. Third Street, near Richmond. Seven rooms, attic and cellar. Will be sold reasonable; terms easy. Apply at this office. 12-12-3d

TO LET—HOUSE CORNER SIXTH AND DIvision streets, furnished or unfurnished; for boarding or private use: in good order; all improvements. Rent very low to responsible parties. Apply to Mrs. E. D. Eaton, Division Street, between 5th and 6th. 12-6-tf

TRY THE "O. A. F." CIGAR; MADE FROM the finest Havana filler, without a particle of artificial flavoring. The best 5-cent cigar in the world. 11-16-tf

FURNISHED ROOMS, FOR GENTLEMEN only, over the Post Office. ELIZABETH SCHORB. 9-22-tf

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VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL.

At the

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Thursday, Dec. 15th, at 8 p. m.

ADMISSION, 25 CENTS.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 19th.

The charming Commedienne and Vocalist,

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Accompanied by her own select company in Gunter's Laughable Comedy,

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During the play Miss Pixley will introduce the following sparkling songs and medleys: "That Little Knot of Blue," "The Pixley Medley," "I'll Meet You D'ar," "The Language of Love," "The Wash-Tub Song," "The Drinking Song," "Jammo," etc. Tickets on sale at Field & Randolph's and J. G. Miller's Drug Stores, Friday, Dec. 16th. Prices as usual. 12-13-td

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ONE WEEK.

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EVERYBODY gets a PRESENT, FREE, and the

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I. H. BOEHM,

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13-12.tf

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Fancy and Staple Groceries,

CHOICE TEA, COFFEE AND SPICES.

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TO THE PUBLIC.

Having purchased the business of Mr. John Shroppe at No. 31 W. FRONT ST., I will entirely renovate the place and supply the best fruits in the New York market, fresh roasted peanuts every day, all kinds of nuts and confectionery. I will buy the BEST of everything, and sell at living prices.

A. GRANELLI.

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SHE PASSES AWAY AFTER A LINGERING ILLNESS.

Loving Relations Gathered About Her Bedside—A Peaceful Close to a Life of Charity and Kindness.

New York, Dec. 13.—At 8:20 last evening Mrs. John Jacob Astor died at the family mansion, 338 Fifth avenue. For 36 hours she had been in a state of coma, entirely unconscious and free from pain.

Dr. Fordyce Barker, who has been the family physician for over thirty years, abandoned all hope of his patient's recovery early in the day and informed her relatives that death was only a question of a few hours, and that the end would probably come before midnight.

For hours however, there appeared to be no change either for the better or worse, and those at her bedside hoped that her good constitution, which had sustained her so long, would cause an improvement at 2 o'clock, when Dr. Barker, who had been been constantly in attendance for nearly 48 hours, returned to his home at 14 East Thirty eighth street and sought much needed repose.

At dusk he again called, and finding the patient in about the same condition again left, saying he would soon return. At 8.15 o'clock those in attendance noticed that the patient's pulse had almost ceased to beat. Dr. Barker was quickly called, and reached the mansion in 15 minutes, when he found Mrs. Astor had died.

Mrs. Astor did not rally, but remained in the same insensible, painless condition in which she had been throughout the day, and at 8:20 she passed away like one entering into a deep slumber. The only person present at the time of her death, besides the attendants, were her husband, her son William Waldorf Astor and his wife.

During the summer Mrs. Astor was at her Newport home, but before the season ended her relatives found it necessary to remove her to this city by easy stages on account of her failing health. For a time she appeared to improve, and on Wednesday last the indications were so favorable that her brother-in-law, William Astor, bade her good bye and sailed for Europe.

Friday she began to fail, and on Saturday her condition became so critical that her relatives began to fear the worst. Dr. Barker could give them but little encouragement, and her only son, William W. Astor, left his home and went to her house, where he remained to the last, almost constantly in attendance on his mother.

All yesterday afternoon the room in which she was dying was a scene of the tenderest care and deepest morning. Nurses and physicians, relatives and friends were alike assiduous and tireless in their attention. The disease with which she had so long suffered was chronic inflamation of the bowels.

Mrs. Astor was born in New York 61 years ago. Her maiden name was Charlotte Augusta Gibbs. She received an education beyond the average granted young ladies of that period, and was a favorite on account of her many accomplishments.

After her marriage she became one of the foremost members of New York society. Soon after her marriage she and her husband became members of Trinty church, in which she was ever after an active worker.

Naturally of a charitable disposition, enlarged opportunities gave broader scope to her benefactions, and it may truly be said of her that to the worthy poor she never knowingly turned a deaf ear or permitted the wretched to depart empty handed. That she was a liberal patron of the arts the parlors of the Fifth avenue mansion attest. She had traveled extensively in Europe, her last visit having been made about four years ago.

Her kindness as an employer is evidenced in the fact that she seldom dismissed worthy servants, but, on the contrary, endeavored to make them feel that they were a part of her permanent household and that their interests were identified with her own. Some of the domestics had been in her employ over thirty years.

The funeral will take place from Trinity church on Thursday morning at 10.30 o'clock. The details will be announced to-day.

CENTRAL VERMONT RAILROAD.

Rumor That Its Managers Will Surrender It to the Delaware and Hudson.

ST. ALBANS, Vt., Dec. 13.—The people of Western Vermont are considerably stirred up over reports that the Central Vermont managers will surrender the Rutland Railroad to the Delaware and Hudson Company on January 1. Ex-Governor Smith of the Central Vermont, said: "The report has no foundation whatever; nor is it true, as has been reported, that there has been any conference between the managers of the Central and the Delaware and Hudson for a surrender of the road. There is no liklihood that the Central will be asked to surrender its lease of the Rutland road until the termination of the lease itself, which has three years to run from next January. The Rutland road was offered to the Central Vermont, but the offer was declined for the reason that at the price asked for the stock the Central could not afford to take it. It would have involved a large increase of the present rental even at four per cent. interest on the cost. The earnings of the road have not been sufficient to pay the rent demanded in the present lease and an annual loss has resulted to the Central Vermont in the operation of the road."

Mr. Smith said that the Central had a claim against the Rutland Railroad Company for improvements and betterments made since 1870. The claim was provided for in the lease and remained unadjusted.

Fatal Fall of a Bridge.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 13.—The centre span of the Louisville and Nashville railroad bridge over the Alabama river, five miles above Montgomery, has fallen. A new bridge is being built, and the false fork under the centre span was undermined by high water and drift wood. Eight men went down with the falling structure, all bridge builders. One white man, Charles W. Sherwell, of Louisville, was drowned. His body has not yet been recovered. All the others were rescued.

Arrest of Insurance Clerks.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 13.—Robert E. Beecher, secretary of the Continental life insurance company, and Isaac W. Hakes, chief clerk of the company, were arrested to-day for making false returns to the insurance commissioner. Beecher was released in $5,000 bail. Hakes is still in jail. J. R. Parsons, the president, has been out of the city for several days.

Sunday Whisky in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Dec. 13.—The police reports show that one hundred and forty-eight saloons, an unusual number, were open Sunday in violation of the Sunday law. A very large number of saloons were suspected of carrying on their business as usual, but they escaped detection.

THE ALLEGED DYNAMITERS.

The Explosives Asserted to be of American Manufacture.

London, Dec. 13.—Thomas Callan, formerly of Lowell, Mass., and Michael Harkins of Philadelphia, who are charged with being dynamiters, were again subject to an examination in the Bow Street Police Court yesterday. They were escorted by army guards. The Crown counsel denied that the government had placed obstacles in the way of the prisioners seeing their solicitors.

The evidence proved that drafts on New York were paid in London in favor of Melville, amounting to £595. Parts of the drafts were cashed at the Band of England. Notes were afterwards cashed, signed by Cohen and Callan.

Col Majenkie, inspector of explosives, declared that the dynamite found in Callan's lodgings was of American make. Others testified that Melville, Harkins and Cohen were associates.

The prisoners were remanded.

An Armed Mob Repulsed.

CONCORDIA, Kan., Dec. 13.—Yesterday morning about two o'clock a mob surrounded the jail at Leotia, in Wichita county, and made a desperate attempt to lynch Thomas Allen, who is confined in jail on the charge of having been implicated in the killing of Courter and Ramsey, February 27 last.

Sheriff Edwards and Dick Wade, under sheriff, were in the jail at the time guarding the prisoners. The mob broke into the jail and demanded the prisoner. Their demands being refused by the officers, the mob opened a heavy fire with rifles on the occupants of the jail. The officers returned the fire, fighting bravely, and after a fierce fight succeeded in repulsing the mob, wounding several of them and saving the life of the prisoner.

The names of the wounded men are kept secret by their friends.

After a Colorado Outlaw.

DEER TRAIL, Col., Dec. 13.—An attempt was made here several days ago to arrest Newton Voice, a desperado, who for six months has been terrorizing the people of the eastern part of the state. A fight ensued in which Voice shot Officer Cantley, breaking his right arm, and escaped. Yesterday he was located near Corona, a small town about 100 miles east of Denver, and two deputy sheriffs and several citizen started from that city to arrest the outlaw. They reached the cabin at which Toice was hiding late yesterday afternoon and a fight took place. A telegram received to-day says Gay Hollingsworth, a brother of one deputy sheriff, was killed.

Mrs. Robinson on Trial for Poisoning.

Boston, Dec. 13.—The trial of Sarah J. Robinson, charged with causing the death, by poisoning, of W. J. Robinson, her son, twenty-two years of age, at her house in Somerville, on August 9, 1886, was begun in the supreme court at East Cambridge, yesterday morning. Justice Field and Knowlton were on the bench. The woman is supposed to have also poisoned her husband, and her two daughters. The only remaining members of her family are Gracie, aged ten, and Charles, aged nineteen, who doesn't believe his mother guilty of the crimes charged against her.

Weir and Warren Fight Twenty Rounds.

Minneapolis, Dec. 13.—The Weir-Warren glove fight drew about 4,000 people to the Washington rink last night. Delegations of sporting men from La Crosse, Winona, Duluth and St. Paul, with a few from eastern cities were present. Mayor Ames of Minneapolis, and Mayor Powell of La Crosse, were among the spectators. Mayor Ames chose John Barnes, manager of the St. Paul baseball club, as referee. Twenty rounds were fought and the referee then decided the fight a draw, though Weir, the Belfast Spider, seemed to have the advantage throughout.

Cheaper Postage.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A consultation between a number senators, of which Senator Beck is one of the conspicuous figures in the movement, has been held with the view, at an early date, of the formulation of a bill which will reduce the general postage of the country. It is proposed to reduce letter postage from two cents to one cent, providing it will not seriously destroy the revenue accruing to the post office department. It is estimated that it will perhaps lessen the earnings of the department about $0,000,000 pr annum.

Held for Counterfeiting.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 13.—Five men have been arrested and are in jail at Wakefield, in the Gogebic iron region, northern limits of Wisconsin, for counterfeiting. For six months that region has been flooded with counterfeit money, mainly in coin. In the cabin where the men were arrested, only a short distance from the town, were found several hundred silver dollars, a quantity of allow of lead, tools, dies, plates, etc. The men will be held until taken in hand by government officials.

To Test Veteran's Rights.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The veterans' rights union, acting under the advice of the members of the civil service commission have decided to bring suit in this district to test the validity of the law giving soldiers and sailors the preference when reductions of force take place in the government service. The case selected is that of an Indian soldier named Marcy, who it is claimed was dismissed by General Black, the commissioner of pensions, solely on political grounds.

Will Arbitrate in the Future.

Philadelphia, Dec. 13.—The official list of shoe manufactures who will hereafter act independently of the knights of labor in this city, and will form a joint board of arbitration for the adjustment of labor disputes, comprises the largest shops in the city. The employes will have seven members of the board and the manufacturers a like number, and no trouble is anticipated on the question of wages as the old rate has been continued until December 1, 1891

Senator Blodgett's Bill.

Long Branch, N. J. Dec., 13—United States Senator Blodgett, whose home is at this place, has prepared a bill excluding from this country all emigrants who are not provided with certificate from congress as to their being desirable citizens, and that consuls are not to issue certificates to criminals, paupers, idiots, nihilist, anarchists, polygamist or others who may disturb society.

California Jury Bribers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—The jury in the second trial of James McCord, who, with Robert Morrow, was held to answer on a charge of attempting to bribe the jury in the case of Wright against the Geary street railroad, were unable to agree and have been discharged. They stood seven for conviction and five for acquittal.

HARPER GETS TEN YEARS.

The Jury Brings in a Verdict of Guilty—Judge Sage Immediately Sentenced Him.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 13.—As was expected, jury in the case of E. L. Harper, who has been on trial for various criminal acts while vice-president of the Fidelity bank, returned a verdict of "guilty" this morning.

Judge Jackson's charge on Saturday was strongly against the prisoner and the verdict had been discounted by the hundreds of spectators who assembled in the United States court.

Judge Jackson's charge occupied one hour and fifty minutes in delivery. He called the jurymen's attention to the fact of the difference between criminal acts by officials of a banking house and others, by which losses might accrue but not be criminal, and remarked that in every count Harper was charged with a criminal act. He then passed on to a review of the facts proven, saying that the court could assume the things proven which had been presented in evidence on both sides.

He then enumerated, one after another, the various acts regarded as proven by Harper's own admission, such as a credit to the Riverside Iron and Steel works upon no considerrtion, and declarrd that the defendant committed a wrongful act when he took the check of the Riverside works in that way. So of the $300,000 certificate of deposit in the First National bank of New York, represented by his own check. This was a criminal act admitted by the defendant.

Going on in the order of time, the court cited act after act, all committed by Harper, which, under the ruling of the court, constituted criminal acts. Among others was $15,000 to Hoyt for Hopkins, in which Harper said he was to be a sharer with Hopkins. By sending collaterals to the Chemical National bank June 15, the defendant committed an unlawful criminal act. Harper's heroic effort to save the bank does not excuse him any more than a man would be excused for scuttling a ship by afterward trying to save it.

Referring to Harper's defense that he was trying to save the bank, he severely arraigned his method, saying it was not reasonable for a man to sink $1,400,000 in trying to save $86,000. In summing up, he said the court instructs the jury that it must find on its own testimony that the defendant had committed a crime. The jury were then instructed how to make the form of their verdict, and they were taken to their room to begin their consultation.

Judge Sage sentenced Harper to ten years in the penitentiary.

It Breaks Them Up.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13.—The new high license law passed by the last legislature promises to drive out of the liquor business not only those who cannot afford to pay the $500 license fee, but also many wealthy dealers who will find it impossible to secure the necessary bondsmen to become responsible for their faithful compliance with the law. Only 350 applications for licenses for next year have been filed. This is considered a small number in view of the fact that there are about six thousand saloons in the city. The dealers are experiencing no trouble in obtaining two bondsmen who are willing to take upon themselves the responsibility attached to those who become sureties for tavern-keepers. Such bondsmen will each become responsible in the sum of $2,000 for the dayment of all fines, penalties or damages that may be levied upon the dealer for violation of law. The sureties also give a power of attorney to the district-attorney to confess judgment in the sum named for the recovery of all damages, costs, fines and penalties.

Senator Standford's New Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Senator Stanford will introduce a bill in congress at the first opportunity, to amend the naturalization laws so as to provide that no person immigrating from a foreign country to the United States can become a citizen until after a residence of twenty-one years in the land of his adoption. Mr. Stanford thinks that a man of foreign birth should pass through the same period of probation before becoming a citizen as is exacted of the sons of American parentage. No male born in this country can be a voter until he has reached the age of twenty-one years. A foreigner who may be unable to either speak or write the English language can come to the United States, under existing laws, and after five years residence, becomes a citizen and a voter, having made the necessary previous declarations.

National Soldier's Home.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 13.—Pension Commissioner Black, Senator Sewell, General Negley, and the other managers of the National Soldier's Home were in this city this morning, returning from California to Washington. The new home will be located on property in Los Angeles county belonging to Senator Jones, who has given 300 acres for that purpose. Adjoining property holders will gives $100,000 toward embellishing the site.

Three White Caps Caught.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Dec. 13.—Three White Caps, who nearly drowned an unoffending German named Nicholas Cush, at English, Crawford county, have been captured by a sheriff's posse. Their names are Phil and Jack Wright and Lafe Finley Cush may die from his injuries. An attempt was made to shoot Phil Wright in the court room, and the miscreants narrowly escaped lynching.

The Fire Record.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—Fire last evening destroyed St. Mary's chapel and parochial school. St. Mary's hospital has saved. The loss on buildings will not exceed fifteen thousand, but many valuable relics preserved in the chapel were destroyed. Among them is said to be the only genuine gobelin tapestry in America.

Sporting Notes.

It is much to be regretted that the royal London yacht club finds the rules of the new deed of gift of the America's cup to the New York yacht club "not calculated to promote sport" or further international contests.

Old Tommy Barnes would like to get a chance at Tommy Danforth, and since his clever defeat of Joe Fowler on Saturday morning his friends are sure that he would have a good chance against the younger man.

Charles Johnson, who is to help Charley Mitchell second Jake Kilrain, has arrived on the other side. The fight between Jake and Smith, it is said, will take place about the 19th of this month, and maybe a few days earlier. If Jake gets a fair show he will prove to the Britishers that he is no slouch.

Manager Chapman went over to New Jersey on Saturday evening and signed Joe Lufbury. The latter had previously written to Mr. Chapman accepting his terms. Lufbury filled the position of short stop last season for the Portland club of the New England league. He took part in 104 championship games; put out 131 players, had 399 assists, and made 70 fielding errors. His fielding average was .883. He also had a fine batting average, getting 79 runs.

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HOW PIANOS ARE BUILT.

Curious Facts Regarding the Manufacture and Sale of Pianofortes.

Pianofortes are no longer manufactured, but are built. Only two or three of the hundreds of piano factories in this country can justly claim to make their instruments from beginning to finish.

Large establishments devoted to the manufacture of some particular portions of the instrument have sprung up of late, says the New York *Sun*, and have so revolutionized the art of piano making that in some shops not a single part of the completed instrument is made in the factory.

There are probably a dozen places in New York and vicinity devoted exclusively to the making of cases. A like number make the beautiful and delicate piece of mechanism known as the action, and as many foundries cast the heavy iron plates which sustain the enormous strain of the strings. There are also manufacturers of sounding-boards, and of wrest-planks into which the tuning-pins are set, carvers of legs, lyres and trusses, importers of felts and cloths, winders and wrapped strings for the lower notes, and drawers of thinner wires for the upper notes.

Several large houses make a specialty of pianoforte hardware, and a dozen cutters of ivory supply complete keyboards with black keys of ebony and white keys of a medium quality of ivory. Other establishments make keys of various compositions, principally of celluloid, and even the stencil plates for the names are often furnished by the varnish dealer. Thus, nothing remains to be made at the factory but the name, and that is sometimes of the most adroit workmanship.

One of the largest buildings on the west side of this city, with a capacity for turning out the enormous number of sixty to seventy-five completed instruments a week, makes no part of the piano but the name, and quite frequently even that is furnished to them by the dealer who buys largely enough to justify having his own name put on as the maker.

The quality of a pianoforte depends upon two essentials—the scale, and the care with which it is constructed and finished.

The scale is a matter of scientific accuracy in form, balance, and the proportions of the iron frame over which the strings are stretched, and its adjustment to the sounding board. This is generally most readily arrived at by borrowing from some leading maker. A first-class piano is secured and taken to pieces, the frame or scale is copied, often by making a casting from the original plate, and the new manufacturer is equipped with a successful scale, without experiencing any of the delay and disappointment incident to experiments in search of the new and the beautiful.

The casemaker is next visited, and it is found that a moderate price will buy a case suitable for a high-class instrument, and one less elaborate, made of lighter material, can be had for a surprisingly small sum.

While the case, which is made of white wood and ash, veneered with something more expensive, is getting its first coat of the stain which is to turn it into rosewood, ebony, or cherry, the skilled workmen are putting the frame and sounding board together. The stringing is then done, the pins being driven into place with a hammer instead of being carefully screwed in as in the old-fashioned days of conscientious work and high prices. While this is in hand, the case is glued together, having received its several coats of varnish.

More rosewood pianos are made than of all the other sorts combined; yet few are really veneered with rosewood nowadays. This is because it is seldom that varnish will not soon show small chinks and cracks on this veneer, and, as a very close imitation can be produced by staining, it is usual to veneer the cases with mahogany or baywood, or sometimes with cherry, and then transform it into rosewood or ebony as preferred. No real ebony is ever used for similar reasons, and also because large pieces of ebony veneer can not be had.

After the stain comes the varnishing. This is frequently done by contract, the varnish foreman receiving a stated price for each instrument finished, hiring his own assistants and buying the varnish himself.

After the case has joined company with the iron frame and sounding board, the action is placed in position and the wires get the first rough tuning. If the piano is to have any soul, the tone regulator now proceeds to develop it by his skill. But if the price at which it is to be sold does not justify such luxuries as a pure, round and even tone, and a crisp, responsive touch, the soul-maker's responsibilities are not exacting.

Fly finishing is done last. This includes putting on lock and hinges, and the instrument is then ready for sale.

It is popularly believed that no plain piano, however fine, can be made to cost the manufacturer more than $200, and the fact that some of the cheapest are wholesaled at less than $150 seems to justify the impression. It is thus a matter of comment that in nearly all catalogues the old extravagant prices are quoted, although it is well known that in almost every case the list price is utterly disregarded in making a sale.

It requires a long head as well as a deep pocket to make a good piano, and to sell it after it is made. The tricks and devices for selling the cheapest pianos are almost as frequently exposed as the arts of the bunco expert, yet they are profitably practiced every day, and the factories thrive.

A glance at the "for sale" column of the journals will show that one lady will sell, day after day, a rosewood piano, stool and cover for $50; and the bargain-hunter finds, on calling, that it has just been sold, but a beautiful upright, that cost $450 last May, may be bought for the moderate price of $175.

Sometimes the maker finds his stock accumulating on his hands, and he then advertises that he is going out of business, and invites correspondence from dealers who may desire to secure a few of his matchless instruments at the ruinously low figure of $135 each. Of course, no dealer ever replies to these offers, but the bargain-hunters do, and often pretend to be dealers so as to deceive the advertiser into selling them a piano at a price that he is only too willing to accept.

Life and Weight of Americans.

Edward Atkinson has been examining the records in ready-made clothing establishments to discover whether the white man in the United States is deteriorating in size and weight. The general result is, that the average height of New Englanders is found to be 5 feet 3 1-2 inches and of Southerners 5 feet 10 inches. The average weight of Americans is between 155 and 160 pounds. Mr. Atkinson also discovered that the average height and weight of men in this country have increased perceptibly since the war. He is convinced that Americans are increasing rather than decreasing in size.

FISHERIES CONFERENCE.

HOW THE QUESTION STANDS IN THE HIGH COMmission'

The American Commissioners in a Creditable Position--Sir Charles Tupper Desired a Reciprocity Treaty.

Washington, Dec. 13—The interruption of the negotiations by the commissioners for the United States and Great Britain to settle the disputed fisheries question does not mean that the negotiations have failed. The commissioners on both sides refuse to give information to the press, but enough is learned about the progress to justify the conclusion that a satisfactory conclusion may yet be reached. If it is not, and the negiotiation should be broken off at the point reached, the American commissioners are in a position every way creditable to them and honorable to the country they represent.

It seems that at the outset the commissioners for the United States submitted a protest requesting of Great Britain the admission of full commercial rights to American vessels in Canada, and the placing of all American and Canadian vessels on an equal footing for rights as to the navigation of the harbors of both the Dominion and the United States. This was met by Sir Charles Tupper, who has been the mouthpiece most of the time for the British commissioners, with a proposition to not only concede the unrestricted navigation of Canadian waters to American vessels, but also to consent to permit Americans to enjoy the priviliges of the onshore fisheries, provided the Americans will approve a new treaty of reciprocity based upon the lines of the treaty of 1854. To this the American commissioners demurred.

They maintain that the rights for which the United States contends are naturally rights which they cannot undertake to buy. The inshore fisheries they do not care for, and if they did they could not for a moment consider the proposition to purchase them, using as a means of concluding the sale the rights for which they are now contending. Sir Charles Tupper, it is understood, was determined to insist upon a reciprocity treaty or no treaty. The commissioners for the United States were willing to submit the proposition for a recognition of equal commercial privileges to arbitration. After the Canadian representative had exhausted his argument to secure consent to a convention agreeing to an exchange of fish, lumber, and other products, the Americans standing firmly against anything like an attempt to argue them into a sale of rights, it was decided to take a recess long enough to enable the British commissioners to visit Canada and make further study of the situation from the Canadian standpoint.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Sir Charles Tupper, Canada's minister of finance and representative in the joint commission engaged in negotiating a settlement of the fisheries question, passed through Chicago yesterday on his way to Winnipeg. To a reporter he expressed himself as pleased by the great cordiality with which he and Mr. Chamberlain have been received in Washington, and the indications that senators and congressmen are disposed to consider the matters with which the commission has to to deal in a spirit of liberal statesmanship.

He inclines to the belief that there is little left now of the feeling of irritation that inspired the non-intercourse and retaliation movement of last winter and entertains the hope that the more tranquil condition of public sentiment now prevailing on this side of the line and the often expressed willingness of Canada to make any fair and reasonable concessions may enable the commissioners to bring their labors to a satisfactory close and secure for the result the approval of the treaty-making authority.

Sir Charles goes to Winnipeg to meet Lady Tupper, with whom he will at once return to Ottawa, where important consultations will be held during the recess of the commission between its members and the Dominion cabinet.

THE CHICAGO ANARCHIST.

Beer and Tobacco Smoke Most Noticeable. No Applause for America's Banner.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—Three more of the series of entertainments for the benefit of the families of the dead and imprisoned anarchists was given this afternoon and evening. Beer and tobacco smoke were the most noticeable features of the entertainment, and each of the three halls was crowded with men, women and children, a majority of them Germans and many of them recent arrivals in America. It was noticed in Vorwaerts hall that the "Marcellaise" was greeted with loud cheers, but the "Star Spangled Banner" was played through by the band without a chirp of applause from the audience. Capt. Black and the turner, John Gray, read speeches. Gloy urged political organization. He declared a strong labor party the surest if not the only possible means of securing the peaceful solution of the great problem. He deprecated the sentiment of revenge, and gave as a reason the statement that they could never revenge on individuals a crime which was committed in furious blindness by an entire class. In concluding his remarks Gloy told his hearers it was high time to retrace their steps on the road they had hitherto pursued. He added: "Never forget the lesson purchased with the blood of your fellow citizens and paid with their death, that no death-despising hero's courage of individuals is able to shake the people out of its insolence and laziness, and that the present order, bad as it is and as much as it merits it, cannot be blown up with dynamite."

The Calumet and Hecla Mine Fire.

DETROIT, Dec. 13.—A serious crisis in the present trouble at the big Calumet and Hecla copper mine occured at noon Saturday, when the ground caved in about the main engine shaft. A timbering twenty feet wide was partly thrown across the opening and earth piled on it, but it was not entirely satisfactory. Volumes of smoke and gas are coming up and the ground has settled from twelve to fifteen feet between the No. 1 Hecla shaft and the main engine shaft, and it is dangerous work for the men.

The first cause of all the trouble at the Calumet and Hecla mine is found in the fact that the hanging wall or the rock left overhead as longitudinal drafts are made, is likely to fall at any time if not supported by heavy timbering that is now on fire, and of this there is a perfect forest in the mine. The settling means that the fire has completely destroyed some of the timbers and the overhanging wall being thus deprived of support has fallen. The fire will probably break out with renewed force in all parts of the mine.

The Alva Flew Club Colors.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—A despatch from Constantinople the "Standard" says that the reason the Alva was detained in the the Dardenelles was because of Mr. Vanderbilt's persistence in flying club colors instead of the customary flag used by merchant vessels.

DIAMOND CUTTING.

A Profitable Trade Monopolized by Amsterdam Houses.

Where Most of the Precious Stones Now Discovered Are Found—The South African Diamond Fields—A Tribute to American Taste.

Nearly two hundred years ago Englishmen were the finest diamond cutters in the world, and the trade was nearly all carried on in London, and at the present time old English cut diamonds will always fetch a very high price, as the cutting is still so much prized. Through religious persecution the cutters migrated to Amsterdam, where they have since remained. At the present time, says the London *Times*, any one visiting one of the largest diamond-cutting factories in Amsterdam will be shown a model of the Koh-i-noor and told that it was cut and polished at their factory, when it is an undisputed fact that both Her Majesty the Queen and the late Prince Consort took so great an interest in the cutting that Messrs. Garrard, the Queen's jewelers, had a room specially fitted up for it to be cut in, and it was all done at Messrs. Garrard's present establishment in the Haymarket. The Duke of Wellington put the first facet on, and Her Majesty and nearly all the members of the royal family assisted in putting on those most perfect facets that it now has, and there are at least seventy-two of them on the stone.

At the time that the African diamond fields were discovered there was only one diamond-cutter in London. Dutchmen were accordingly engaged to work in London from Monday morning till Friday sunset, and they were to receive $50 per week each man. There was a very large supply of rough diamonds to be cut, so they struck several times successfully for higher wages. They would allow no person to be in the room that they worked in, being afraid the secrets of their art might be discovered. At last they demanded $90 a week each man, when they were discharged and English precious gem cutters were put at the work. At first they were only able, after a deal of trouble, to cut a class of diamond in one month which they could now cut in about four days. As soon as it was clearly proved that Englishmen had once more gained the art, the Worshipful Company of Turners had their attention called to it by their Past Masters, the late Prof. Tennant, the Queen's Mineralogist, and Mr. John Jones. They at once decided to give English cutters every encouragement, and have, with the valuable assistance of the Baroness and Mr. Burdett-Coutts, who are both members of this company, offered money awards in competition against the Dutch for the best cut diamonds. After several contests the Englishmen gained the first prize and most of the others. Great credit and thanks are due to this company and the Baroness and Mr. Burdett-Coutts for giving such valuable assistance to this industry.

In 1869 there was only one diamond-cutter in London, as I have already said. At the taking of the last census the census committee went to a lot of trouble to get the exact number of diamond-cutters in London, and I gave them several foreign terms and their meanings that the men might give in describing their trade, but the return was not a success, as a great number of the men put down other trades. They nearly all have some other occupation which they can return to when a depression comes in the diamond trade, but at the present time there are a great number actually in full work.

Up to the end of 1885 out of four of the principal mines of South Africa—viz., Kimberley, De Beers, Ruttfontein and Du Toit's Pan—no less than 23,000,000 carats of diamonds (or more than six and a half tons' weight) have been extracted, realizing about £40,000,000. The diamonds now discovered are nearly all found in British possessions, viz., Africa and India. Mines are now being developed in New South Wales, and yet the vast majority of the stones are still sent to foreign countries to be cut and polished, which, I am sure, every Englishman will consider ought not to be, especially as we have so many good workmen with no employment. With the aid of the British public and the press the trade could be developed into a very large and thriving industry, as not only is there an immense opening for men to cut and polish the large stones, but at the present time the supply of small brilliants to use as decorations round other gems, etc., is not equal to the demand. As one of the greatest secrets connected with the trade consists in the one word "patience," there is an immense field for the employment of women.

As a nation, the Americans are the finest judges of diamonds in the world. American buyers insist on getting the finest stones and the most perfect of cutting. India takes a very large quantity of the white stones, as the natives invest their capital in them as we do in stocks and shares, but they will not take yellow or colored diamonds nor stones with flaws or specks in them. Russia takes the large and yellow stones. China has only lately opened up her country to the diamond trade, as until recently Chinese subjects were not allowed to decorate themselves with these magnificent gems, but just recently the Empress of China has broken through that custom by wearing at court a very superb diamond necklet, so there is now a demand in that vast continent.

In the report you quoted were these words: "Besides Antwerp, the diamond industry is carried on extensively nowhere else." If that be so, where does America go to for her finest cut diamonds? Well, I am very thankful to say, London. I believe the last official report published was that America took about £3,000,000 worth of cut diamonds annually from England.

Prince Bismarck's Son.

Prince Bismarck had just seated himself for dinner and placed his spoon in his soup to begin eating the other day when a telegram from Berlin was handed to him. "The message requires an immediate reply," said he, excusing himself to his guests. "But your soup will get cold," suggested one of them. "It is better it should get cold than that Herbert should grow hot," replied the Prince, jocosely, referring to his son, the sender of the message. "He is so diligent about his work," continued the Prince, "that if I do not reply right away he will send me another telegram in a few minutes much more urgent than this. He is a stunner at his work, I tell you. Had I been like him when I was a boy I should have been a very different man."

Pigeon Roost Massacre.

The citizens of Seymour, Ind., are preparing to erect a monument at the burial place of the victims of the "Pigeon Roost" massacre, which occurred near the site of the present city, September 3, 1812, when twenty-two settlers were killed by the Shawanee Indians.

ECCENTRIC MR. HULL.

A Millionaire Whose Eccentricity Takes a Philanthropic Turn.

By the common consent of his neighbors, C. J. Hull, whose wealth is estimated at $3,000,000, is the queerest of the many queer characters in Chicago, says the Philadelphia *Times*. There is no doubt Mr. Hull is queer, very queer; and what makes him seem especially queer to Chicago people is that, having made a comfortable fortune himself, he should devote his time and a portion of his money to making other people comfortable. Mr. Hull's hobby is that of establishing laboring men in houses of their own. He boasts of having put over two thousand families in houses of their own in Chicago, nearly as many in Lincoln, Neb., about one thousand in Savannah, Ga., and several hundred in Baltimore. His method is to buy suburban property cheaply, subdivide it into small lots, and build homes upon it for working men. He has taken many a man without a dollar, put him into his own home and given him all the time he needed to pay for his comfortable residence. Some of Mr. Hull's other queer characteristics are not so benevolent as the one above mentioned. He is a Connecticut Yankee, and very close-fisted in his dealings outside of his transactions with the cops he desires to benefit. He went to Chicago forty-one years ago, and acquired his wealth by prudent investments in city real estate. He married and had several children, but subsequently lost his entire family. One of his hobbies is an implicit belief in fish as a brain food. It is told of him that for over four years he fed his family on codfish, having no other meats on the table. Perhaps this may account for the early death of all but himself. The hired girl lived, however, and grew so aristocratic on this phosphorescent diet that she refused to work any longer, and as Mr. Hull did not propose matrimony, finally left him. He always did the chores around the house, blacking his own shoes and those of every body else, even to the servants. He owned and drove a buggy team, and when one of the horses died, instead of buying another or using a pair of shafts, he hitched up the surviving beast alongside the pole, making a very funny turnout. In person Mr. Hull is a man of imposing physique, six feet in height and patriarchial in appearance. He still swings heavy dumbbells and keeps himself in the best possible physical condition. Like many eccentric people, he is somewhat of a literary turn, and has compiled a book chiefly composed of terse epigrammatic sentences from letters he has written during the last thirty-five years, a few of which are subjoined:

"Lawyers have not as much conscience as the ten commandments require of the followers of the moral law. They do not practice under that ancient code, and perhaps regard it as repealed or unconstitutional."

"If circumstances will not allow a boy to have a mother, the next best relative for him in the order of nature is a grandmother."

"The man who goes earliest to dinner at a hotel has the best chance for a good hat."

"Many men think they think, but those who do think know it."

"Small men are always in fashion."

These quaint sayings show that if Mr. Hull is queer and cranky, there's method in his madness. His success in business also attests this fact, while his large-hearted benevolence leads to the conclusion that the world would be much the better if people possessing Mr. Hull's peculiar type of queerness were more plentiful.

SNAKE-CATCHER GRUBER.

A Pennsylvanian Who Grabs Rattlers with His Naked Hands.

A correspondent of the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* states that one Peter Gruber, of Oil City, Pa., wears a necktie made of the skin of a rattlesnake and carries a cane that is covered with snake skin. Gruber is the greatest snake hunter in Western Pennsylvania, and has had some interesting experiences with reptiles of all kinds. He handles snakes of every species known in this latitude with perfect impunity. He captures live rattlers, copperheads and black snakes with his naked hands. He has been catching snakes every summer for five years, and has been bitten but once—that time by a common garter snake, and no bad effects followed. It was a slight wound in the finger, and healed in a day or two. The secret of Gruber's art of snake catching lies in his quickness and courage.

"Any man can catch snakes in his naked hands," said he to the correspondent, "if he has the nerve and goes about the business with judgment. When he sees a chance to catch a snake he must go about it like lightning. A snake stops to deliberate, and if you are quick you can grab him before he gets ready to fight. Always grab your snake right back of the head, and with your fingers around his throat it is impossible for him to bite you. He will make all endeavors to bite, but if you hold your grip there is no danger. I never missed a snake yet, and I reckon I have grabbed two hundred."

The writer witnessed the operation of chloroforming a rattlesnake and removing its fangs, as performed by Mr. Gruber and Dr. C. J. Reynolds, a dentist of this city. Gruber had a blacksnake and a rattler, both large specimens, in a glass box. He opened the box and when an opportunity presented itself seized the blacksnake by the tail, drew it rapidly out of the box, hand over hand, catching it finally back of the head and carrying it across the room placed it in a box by itself. In catching the rattlesnake he shook the box until the snake crawled out on to the floor. Once out of the box it set up a terrible rattling. "Stand back till he sings his song!" said Gruber, coolly. When the rattling ceased the snake started across the floor, but Gruber made a dive for it and caught it back of the head. Then it began to writhe and twist in a horrible way, all the time rattling. After allowing the snake to twist itself around his arm awhile to show the spectators that it was powerless to hurt him, the operation of administering the chloroform was begun. Dr. Reynolds did this by saturating a piece of cotton and holding it to the snake's nose on a piece of wire. After the drug began to take effect the snake rattled incessantly for fifteen minutes. Then only occasionally, and for a few seconds at a time. At the expiration of twenty-eight minutes there was no sign of life. Gruber held the snake's mouth open and the doctor removed the fangs, four in number, with a common pocket-knife. The fangs are all in the lower jaw, two close together on either side. After the operation the snake was twenty-five minutes recovering from the effects of the chloroform.

An Anti-Fat Restaurant.

Corpulent persons who desire to avail themselves of the opportunity can now patronize a London restaurant in which nothing but dishes prepared on the anti-fat plan are served.

BROWN'S WILD RIDE.

How a Notorious Ohio Counterfeiter Once Proved an Alibi.

No man loved an alibi better than Jim Brown, known in Ohio's past history as "Chief of the counterfeiters of Cuyahoga." This band of outlaws, according to the Cleveland *Press*, dealt principally in bogus money, and their favorite way of escaping justice was by proving an alibi. The band was so numerous, so scattered, and, withal, so loyal, that any sort of evidence to show that a defendant was somewhere else than at the place of the alleged crime at the time of its commission was always forthcoming from the mouths of witnesses who often stood high in the community for veracity. To prove an alibi Jim Brown once rode horseback from Pittsburgh, Pa., to Boston, Summit County, O., a distance of about one hundred miles, in one night.

The officers arrived at Boston, Brown's home, a few hours after his own arrival. They arrested him. On his trial, several witnesses swore that they saw him at sundown the day previous to his arrest at Pittsburgh. These witnesses also identified his horse. On the defense Brown proved by a score of good witnesses that he was at home at sunrise the morning of his arrest, and that his horse was slow and fresh that day as though it had not been ridden for a month. The court held that Brown could not have ridden the distance in that time, and discharged him. But he did ride it, and afterward told how it was done.

Finding himself certain to be arrested if he stayed in Pittsburgh a certain night, he saddled his horse, a splendid animal, and as soon as it was dark started out on his wild ride of one hundred miles. For the first thirty miles his horse kept bravely and steadily to his work. Then Brown noticed by the irregular reach and labored breath that the terrible strain was telling upon his faithful brute. At the next tavern Brown procured a pint of whisky, and, putting half of it into a small quantity of water, gave it to his horse. Then, on the road again, his willing animal worked more steadily. At every hill he would dismount and run beside his horse till it was passed, then on and away, to stop at the next tavern to give his horse more whisky and water. In this way, galloping furiously along levels, running on foot up and down hills, and stimulating his steed with all the caution a skillful physician would bestow upon a patient critically sick, he reached his home before daybreak, where a confederate was found to devote his entire attention to the jaded horse, while Brown purposely showed himself to as many neighbors as possible, who testified as before stated.

FOOLISH YOUNG WOMEN.

What Men Really Think of the Slangy Lolling Girls of the Period.

The sad thing about it is, observes a writer in the *New York Mail and Express*, that the girl of the period is making a fool of herself. "Every thing carried to its extreme becomes its contrary," says Hegel, and the girls beginning with the masculine costume goes to please men more and more by adopting their slang and even freedom of manner. The girl does not see that, although, men are amused by it, they are not made more respectful and courteous thereby. She only sees she is a favorite with men, and that she always has partners and escorts and is invited everywhere. Men are at their ease with her; but, ye gods and little fishes! there is a mighty difference between the girl one loafs and smokes with and the girl one prefers for a wife or a mother. The very fashion that in moderation was charming, in excess is disagreeable. The slangy, lolling, sprawling man-hunter—and some girls of the period are little more than that—have spoiled the liberty which it was delightful to see women accepting in moderation. There is a liberty that makes us free and a liberty that makes us slaves, and the girls who take liberties with modesty of speech and manner, and who cross well over the border into masculine territory, are not more free, but more slavish, than before, and the approbation of men, which is the end in view, is lost by the very means taken to gain it. There is one young woman in Boston who has been a belle for two winters. One day she remarked to the writer that now she was obliged to do the marketing; that her mother had always done it, but "at last ma kicked." When the writer said to a friend of that young woman that she would not get married for several years unless she changed her manners, he was told that she received more attention than any girl in Boston. Nevertheless that young woman has had two seasons and is still disengaged. She is a type of the short-sightedness of some of her sex. She has men about her in plenty, and "she shall have music wherever she goes," but men are better than they appear. At bottom, men love kindliness, gentleness, modesty, purity in act and thought in women.

A GLAD CHRISTMAS.

A Thrilling Story in Three Chapters Rolled Down for Busy Readers.

(Our most important Christmas story, says *Puck*, we have been obliged to cut down considerably this year, on account of lack of space, but think it contains nearly all of the important features.)

CHAPTER I.

"Twas Christmas....stern-faced Farmer Brown ....little Bessie, his only child...."Father, I love him"....tender-hearted Aunt Martha ...."Brother, don't be harsh with her"...."As ye have made your bed, so must ye lie upon it."...."Father! Father!"...."Yes, I am Harold Archer, and your daughter is my wife"....turned purple, then livid with rage...."Forgive, father, forgive!"...."Out of my house, both of you, and never darken my door again!"....Sank into chair by fire....Farmer Brown and Aunt Martha alone keep glad festival, one stern-faced, the other sad ditto.

CHAPTER II.

Years roll.....No tidings come.....Farmer Brown.....ages rapidly.....Daughter's name never passes lips....Meek Aunt Martha often weeps, but.....Farmer Brown.....immense wealth....health shattered....no heir....Nameless, unconfessed gnawing....Longs so, so much....Ten years....

CHAPTER III.

Christmas evening....bleak, wintry blasts shake old homestead....Inside, rousing log fire in immense fire-place....genial warmth....Aunt Martha preparing savory....."O, my daughter, my daughter!"...."And would you forgive if she were here?"...."O, my little Bessie! why do you not come back to me?"...."Why have you set the table for five?"...."A surprise, and who are these?"...."Not Bessie?"...."Come....arms!"...."My little grandson!"...."Forgive me, Harold!"....gathered around table, groaning viands....blessing, husky voice....Such a glad Christmas...."Now I can die happy!"

Lord Mayors of Foreign Birth.

The Lord Mayor elect of London is a foreigner by birth. A curious Britisher has looked the records and found that in 1713 the Lord Mayor was of Italian birth; in 1716, a German; in 1724, a Frankforter; in 1754, a Swede; in 1762, Jamaican, and in 1793, a son of the Governor of the Island of Alderney was Lord Mayor

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BY THE WAY.

—Oh for a paid fire department.

—Hugh O'Donnell for some time past a resident of Dunellen, has pulled up stakes and removed to North Plainfield.

—The Republicans of North Plainfield township will meet in Spencer's Hall, this evening, and perfect a permanent organization.

—Today appears the advertisement of the Art Gallery loan exhibition, and the Schoonmaker lecture, that were first announced in these columns, Dec. 5.

—It is well worth your while to look through the handsome stock of Allen, the Stationer. It costs you nothing, as he will give you full value for your money.

—The presents that are given away every evening in Laing's Hall are on exhibition in Pope's windows at Front and Somerset streets, and are attracting a great deal of attention.

—In a communication elsewhere, Hetfield Bros., announce another reduction of the price of coal. They also promise to give some of the inside history of the coal combination, to-morrow.

—Rev. Dr. Hurlbut will give a blackboard Bible talk on the the Four Gospels, at the Y. M. C. A. Rooms, on Friday evening. Senion Society invite their young men friends to meet with them at that time.

—Next Thursday evening in the new Bethel chapel at the corner of Fifth and Washington streets, the colored members of the Mission will give an instrumental and vocal concert that will present several features of unusual entertainment.

—A few "Little Workers" would be pleased to have their friends and the public in general attend a parlor sale and supper at the residence of Miss Nettie Randall, No. 8 Madison avenue, formerly the M. E. Church parsonage, on the afternoons and evenings of Thursday and Friday, Dec. 15th and 16th. Many fancy articles suitable for holiday presents will be offered for sale, and the entire proceeds will be devoted to a worthy cause.

Physical Culture at Reform Hall.

Miss Julia Thomas of New York city, gave a lecture in Reform Hall last evening on "Physical Perfection," under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. of this city. Mrs. Dr. T. H. Tomlinson presided. Miss Nannie Randolph sang a beautiful solo, accompanied by Miss Alice Smith on the organ. Mrs. Tomlinson read a portion of the scripture and Rev. Dr. Yerkes led in prayer. The lecturer was then introduced and for an hour held the close attention of her hearers discussing the importance of developing the body and expanding the lungs. She dwelt at length on the excessive habit of dress and other articles which modesty prohibits us from enumerating, all of which go to "make up" the average female. Miss Thomas was followed by her sister, who recited in a pleasing manner "Painting a rum seller's sign." The attendance was fair, and the lecture thoroughly enjoyable.

Last Effort of the Combination.

EDITOR OF THE PRESS:—With the desire to give to the people of Plainfield, coal at fair living prices, we reduced the price per ton to $6 on Dec. 12th, while the combination price was $6.50. After exhausting all their efforts to drive us out of the business by shutting off our supply, and, failing in this, they met in secret conclave, last night, at the office of one of their number, and fixed the price at $5.75 per ton. The people of Plainfield may thank us for getting cheap coal, and we have no doubt they will appreciate our efforts, when they learn we have been fighting "the combine" since last August when we started business. We are now prepared to furnish the best hard coal that can be procured, any size, at $5.50 cash. The full particulars of our fight for the people will be published to-morrow.

HETFIELD BROS.

OPENING OF THE BIG BAZAAR.

What the Ladies of the M. E. Church are Doing for Its Building Fund.

The best arranged, most thoroughly ventilated, entirely convenient and handsomely porportioned and constructed Sunday school room in the State, is that just finished and semi-attached to the M. E. Church of this city. It is built somewhat after the plan—though greatly improved in many respects—of that connected with the church that the Rev. J. B. Van Meter is now the pastor of in Pennsylvania. Dr. Vincent, after all his experience, says he knows of no Sunday school room that excells it in the country.

Towards the cost of the construction of this "long felt want" of the M. E. Church, moneys have been contributed from various sources, and among other subscribers the Ladies' Aid Society of the church pledged themselves to give one thousand dollars. To realize this amount a grand bazaar has been established in the new building, which was last night thrown open to the public.

The officers of this society are:
President—Mrs. C. C. Cokefair.
Vice President—Mrs. J. W. Jackson.
Treasurer—Mrs. Geo. R. Cornwall.
Secretary—Mrs. L. M. French.
Advisory Board—Messrs. H. K. Carroll, S. E. Birdsell, D. H. Mulford, Edwin Loomis, Jas. W. Jackson.

The display of attractions at this sale—which continues during the afternoons and evenings of today, to-morrow and Friday—equals everything of the sort this city has ever known. Such special features as the loan exhibition and art gallery, are unusually complete and entertaining. A large assortment of holiday presents are among the many articles offered at particularly low prices. The grocery store is attended by the "Miners," composed of the members of Mr. George C. Martin's bible class, who also publish a paper in connection with the fair. Under their big umbrellas, little Maude French and Lida Pangborn dressed as old market women, peddle pop-corn and apples, while the others who are in attendance are as follows:

FANCY TABLE.
Mrs. Jas. W. Jackson, Chairman,

Mrs. J. W. Pangborn,	Miss Carrie L. Jackson,
" O. L. Jenkins,	" Edith Katline,
" G. C. Martin,	" Nettie Van Meter,
" Theo. French,	" Addie McGee.
" Chas. Lyman,	

HANDKERCHIEF TABLE.
Mrs. Sam'l Mitchell, Chairman.
Miss Roberta Adams, Miss Lizzie Sanders.

ART GALLERY.

Mr. Henry A. McGee.	Miss Ida Lewis.
Mrs. Henry A. McGee,	" Belle Sharp,
" J. L. Hurlbut,	" Mamie Brown,
Miss Rachael Day,	" Lilly Van Meter.

CLOCKS AND WILLOW WARE.

Mr. Geo. R. Cornwell,	Miss Emma McGee,
Mrs. Geo. R. Cornwell,	" Fanny Halt.

SCALES.
Miss Lula Pangborn, Mr. Harry Morrison.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS.
Mrs. L. M. French, Chairman,

Mrs. G. H. Burgess,	Mrs. E. Winter,
" J. L. Lunger,	" Jessie Oakley,
" P. Cottrell,	" Ira Riker,
" J. G. Cadmus,	" R. H. Mahaffe,
" H. K. Carroll,	Miss S. E. Jackson,
" D. S. Roberts,	" F. Van Aken.
" E. M. Mosher,	

CONFECTIONERY AND FRUITS.
Mrs. J. M. MacNaughton, Chairman.

Mrs. D. E. Davis,	Miss Ida Meiers,
" Geo. W. Davis,	" Minnie Sharp,
" Albert Taft,	" A. Carman,
Miss Tillie Sperry,	" Lottie Birdsall.

STATIONERY.
Mrs. Edwin Loomis, Chairman.
Mrs. Mary Mulford, Miss Florence Knight.

LEMONADE WELL.
Mrs. J. P. Homan, Chairman.
Mrs. S. Craig, Miss Nettie Homan.

Winfield Scott Post Election.

The annual meeting for the election of officers to serve Winfield Scott Post No. 73, G. A. R. for the ensuing year, took place last evening, with the following result:

Commander—James M. Atwood.
Senior Vice-Commander—Robt. Walker.
Junior Vice-Commander—Wm. R. Moore.
Quartermaster—Samuel C. Terry.
Chaplain—John Goodwin.
Officer of the Day—F. M. Whitely.
Officer of the Guard—W. C. Smith.
Surgeon—Garret Eick.

Delegates to the Department encampment at Trenton in February—Christopher W. Harding, John W. Coddington.

Council of Administration—Charles Silvers, M. C. Dobbins, Joseph N. Bogart, I. L. McVoy.

Considerable competition was indulged in for the office of Commander. Sixty-one votes were cast and three ballots were necessary to elect Mr. Atwood.

A Reduction in Coal.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—Have read several communications in your paper in reference to the coal dealers in this city. Allow me to give my experience of one of that number. Yesterday I entered the office of Cook Bros., and ordered coal. I inquired the price and was told it was six dollars and a half per ton. I paid my bill and told them to send it the next morning. It was brought promptly, and the man who delivered it returned from this firm seventy-five cents, saying that coal had declined that much per ton. The firm could have kept this, but I consider that they have acted in an honest and gentlemanly manner, and I desire to put on record this fact that all coal men are not extortionate.

JUSTICE.

OBITUARY

THEODORE VAIL.

At his home on East Second street, soon after seven o'clock this morning, there passed away Theodore Vail, an old and highly respected citizen of this city. His death, which resulted from apoplexy, was sudden and unexpected. He arose as usual about five o'clock, and after starting the fire was taken with pains in his stomach and head. His wife found him sitting in a chair when she came down stairs, and at her solicitation Dr. Titsworth was called in. Death followed soon afterward. The deceased was a son of the late Jonah Vail. He was born at Green Brook in 1823, and was therefore 64 years of age at the time of his death. In early life he followed farming and later married Phebe Harned, then of Rahway, who with three daughters survive. Except for about eight years, when he occupied the position of Superintendent of the Chappaqua (N. Y.) Institute, and a few years' residence in Indianapolis, Ind., he has been a life-long resident in this vicinity. At one time he taught school at Dunellen, and had always been considered an active and energetic business man. Since his return from Indianapolis, in March last, he has filled several responsible positions as book-keeper and in other capacities, and only yesterday he was engaged as collector for Mr. A. M. Griffen, the hardware dealer. The deceased had been looking forward to a family reunion on Christmas day, and arrangements were making to have all his relations gather at his home on that day. He was a life-long member of the Society of Friends and was a regular attendant at the Hicksite meeting house, from which place the funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon at half past two o'clock. Of the brothers and sisters living there are five, viz: Adelbert, an assistant in the First National Bank; Amos, a member of the North Plainfield Township Committee; Sidna, the wife of Mr. E. R. Vail of Green Brook; Jane, the wife of Abram R. Vail of Qualertown, and Miss Belle.

The Ministering Children's Fair.

The fair held in the Y rooms, yesterday afternoon and evening, by the little children of the Ministering League of Grace church, was well attended and so successful that over one hundred dollars will thereby be added to the fund for building the new Episcopal church. All sorts of fancy articles were contributed by the little ones and their friends, and the booths and tables were filled with handsome things that brought handsome prices. The refreshment room, donkey contest, fish pond, toy table and other auxiliaries, were also sources of profit.

The Ministering League is composed of eighty members under the leadership of Mrs. E. S. Craft. In yesterday's efforts she was assisted by Miss Mary Tweedy. Miss Belle Tweedy, Miss Florence Tweedy, Miss Mary Betts, the teachers whose names appear below among the attendants, and many others. Mrs. R. M. Stover was the Treasurer, and other active participants were:

Door Keepers—Messrs. Fred Stover, Frank Stover and Arthur Freeman.

Candy table—Misses Nellie Taylor and Florence Waring.

Candy booth—Misses Bessie Morgan, Grace Howard and Carrie Betts.

Fruit and Lemonade—Misses Dolly Wilkisson and Louise Depew.

Fancy table—Misses Anna Opdycke, Grace Langdon and May Rodman.

Fancy table—Misses Mamie Racey and Sadie Wills.

Toys—Mrs. John B. Dumont and Mrs. Maxwell Fox.

Donkey test—Misses Jennie Harriott, Julia Borden and Miss Green.

Children's toy table—Misses Tiny Fox, Nancy Lawson, May Waring and Agnes Rodman.

Flower stand—Miss Florence Racey.

Fish pond—Miss Fannie Woodward, Blanche Miller and Kate Miller.

Refreshment room—Mrs. R. M. Stover Mrs. E. S. Craft, and the Misses Carrie Lowrie, Maria Morgan, Leila Butler and May Depew.

Waitresses—Misses Elsie VanZandt, Elise McClure, Mamie Grannatt, Susie Graves, Maud Lord, Ida Lorton, Lena Chandor and Maggie Flack.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Ex-Councilman S. C. Ryder is a candidate for the office of Sergeant-at-Arms of the New Jersey Legislature. His name has been presented for the position endorsed by every prominent office-holder and politician in the city from Mayor Male down.

If the very courteous gentleman who drove over Freeholder Vanderbeek, this morning, will call at his office the latter will be very much pleased at the opportunity to apologize for getting in the way of the gentleman's horse. The Freeholder lost a pair of spectacles and found a pair of crushed fingers, but he is very sorry if he annoyed the driver who ran over him.

—Talmage's sermon on "Little Things," on our last page of today.

FIRE BOARD MEETING.

The Department Apparatus For Sale—No More Debts to be Incurred, But Many Claims Ordered Paid—The Treasurer's Semi-Annual Report—Other Business Makes the Session a Lengthy One.

For the first time in several months a sufficient number of the Fire Commissioners to constitute a quorum met in regular session in the City Court room last evening, and practically wound up the affairs of the Plainfield Department. Although the Volunteer Department, which was incorporated in 1859, will continue to exist, the Commissioners are powerless to incur any expense for the maintenance of the same. In order that an understanding in the matter could be had, Commissioner Livingston left a sick bed to attend the meeting. The other members present were President, W. L. Jones, and Messrs. Wm. H. Brower, Wm. K. McClure, and D. W. Rogers. In the absence of the Secretary Mr. Rogers was elected Secretary *pro tem*. Upon motion of Mr. Livingston the reading of the minutes was dispensed with. At the suggestion of Mr. McClure the Board went into executive session for a short period, and upon reassembling Mr. Livingston submitted the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of this State has decided that the provisions of the act of incorporation of the Plainfield Fire Department authorizing a tax to be levied for the purposes for which said corporation was created, was unconstitutional and void, and

WHEREAS, It is impossible for the said corporation to perform and fulfill the obligations and duties imposed upon it by said act without the authority to levy a tax for such purpose, therefore

Resolved, That in the judgment of the Board of Managers it is advisable and most for the benefit of this corporation as well as for the public interest, that the property of the corporation be disposed of at the earliest practicable moment to the best interest and advantage of its members.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to negotiate with the inhabitants of the City of Plainfield and the Borough of North Plainfield for the purchase of said property.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to furnish a complete statement of the debts, liabilities, assets and financial condition of this corporation.

Resolved, That no further liabilities be incurred except such as are necessary for the proper protection and preservation of the property of the corporation.

Resolved, That William E. Jones and Robert L. Livingston be and are hereby appointed the committee under the foregoing resolution.

Mr. McClure spoke at some length and stated that in the present crippled condition of the department the utmost care must be exercised in ordering coal for the various houses; he considered one ton a month, sufficient to keep the houses warm enough so as to preserve the apparatus. He also requested the foreman of each company to furnish him with a list of the machinery, condition, etc., and the supply of coal on hand in each of the houses, so that a report could be made at the next meeting. Several names for membership were presented, but Mr. McClure said: "We have ceased to be a department and the recommendation of new firemen is unnecessary.

CLAIMS.

The following bills were presented, and except when otherwise stated, were ordered paid, when properly certified to: A. Unzinger, repairs $3.50; Frank Schuck, services as engineer, $50; Daniel Hogan, repairs, $13.50; Frank Schuck, repairing hose, $28.39; Plainfield Gas Co., for gas consumed in various houses for May and Nov., $27.75 and $26.75; C. A. Rogers, engrossing exemption certificates, $5.50; Jacob Blimm, use of horse, $15; Thos. Fahy, washing hose, $1.70; Wm. B. Mundy, janitor's service and ice, $8.40; John Morton, carting supplies, $8.50; Wm. K. McClure, to C. R. R. of N. J., freight, $39.20; T. W. Morrison, advertising, $10; W. L. Force & Bro., advertising, $7.50. Here objection was raised to paying the former bill for advertising, on account of exorbitant charges, and the matter was referred to the President with power to pay if found correct. J. E. Gable, six months service as engineer, $25; Geo. A. Collins, painting, material, etc., $5.23; A. Swalm, glass, $3.25; Gazelle Engine Co., use of horse, $11; A. M. Griffin, duster, 55c., A. M. Griffin, repairs, material, etc., $7.90; *Times* Printing Co., $25.05; H. Goeller, carting hose and supplies, $24; Wm. Totten, removing ashes and cleaning No. 1 cellar, $5; Jno. Morton, similar service in No. 2 cellar, $7; (referred to Mr. Rogers to ascertain the correctness of the same); E. J. Shaw, one sponge bought Oct. 8th, 1884, 75c.; V. W. Nash, issuing warrant for taxes, $14.74; Zephyr Hook and Ladder Co., services team, etc., $17.50; J. T. Vail, stone, $1.50; T. Fahy, washing hose, $2.50; Plainfield Gas Co., for gas consumed during months of Sept. and Oct., $14.50 and $10.75; T. O. Doane, labor, lumber, etc., $61; J. H. Kenyon, four cast well covers, $10, (referred to President, he to confer with Mr. Kenyon as to high rates charged); W. K. McClure, collecting taxes, $65.44; Chas. H. Smith, mason work, $5.95; Julia A. Rogers, rent of Alert's house, $137.50; N. J. Supreme Court, case of Carrie B. Taylor *vs.* Garret P. Smith, et al., Prosecutor's cost in tax case taken to Supreme Court on certiorari, $100.13; Stockton & Taylor, services in above case, $300; (already paid from the department funds); D. A. Woodhouse Manufacturing Co., rubber supplies, two bills, $20 and $12.

An itemized bill from the Manchester Locomotive Works, $1,866.12, for repairs to No. 1 engine was laid on the table in order that some deductions may be made.

The semi-annual report of the Treasurer was received and placed on file. It was as follows:

TREASURER'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT.

Semi-annual report of the treasurer of the Plainfield Fire Department, October 10th, 1887.

RECEIPTS.

April 18—To cash rec'd from Wm. H. Brower, ex-Treas'r...		$199.98
May 3—To note discounted 1st Nat. Bank.....	2,500.00	
Aug. 12—To note discounted 1st Nat. Bank.....	500.00	
Sept. 6—To note discounted 1st Nat. Bank.....	1,450.00	
		4,450.00
Oct. 10—To taxes col'd to date..		7,917.68
Total receipts.....		$12,567.66

DISBURSEMENTS.

May 7—By am't paid note and int. City Nat. Bank.....	$1,654 54	
July 6—By am't paid coupons, int. on bonds.....	120.00	
July 7—By am't paid coupons, int. on bonds.....	45.00	
Aug. 2—By am't paid coupons, int. on bonds.....	90.00	
Aug. 12—By am't paid note and int., City Nat. Bank.....	1,224.60	
Sept. 6—By am't paid note and int., 1st Nat. Bank.....	2,551 78	
Sept. 13—By am't paid 2 bonds No's 71 and 72 and int.....	1,012.17	
Oct. 10—By am't paid sundry bills, ordered paid by Board for expenses to date.....	2,455.73	
Total disbursements.....	$9,153.82	
Cash on hand and in bank.....	3,413.84	12,567.66

NOTES OUTSTANDING.

Aug. 12—three months, 1st Nat Bank, due Nov. 15.....	500.00
Sept. 6—three months, 1st Nat. Bank, due Dec. 9.....	1,450.00
Total.....	$1,950.00

These notes are part renewal of notes of $1,200 and $2,500 respectively, falling due on the dates on which they were given.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. K. MCCLURE,
Treas. P. F. D.

[Since the above report was made out, the three month's note for $500 and $7.81 interest, falling due Nov. 15th, 1887, and the three month's note for $1,450, and $22.40 interest, falling due Dec. 9th, 1887, have been paid, together with a freight bill of $39.20, and the above bill of Attorney-General Stockton].

A communication was received from Zephyr Hook and Ladder company, stating that at a regular meeting of that company the following persons were expelled for non-payment of dues and no duty: B. A. Mumford, F. Conger, P. Kelly, Jas. Acor, W. J. Leland, H. Haurand, W. W. Coriell, A. Love, Jr., Wm. Davis, J. F. Matthews, Jas. Clarkson, T. Fahy, P. Lynch, Edw. Crater. In reference to the above communication, Mr. B. A. Mumford communicated with the Board asking for an opportunity to be heard before any action was taken. The papers were received and laid on the table for 30 days, and the Secretary was requested to notify the expelled members of the company's action.

No. 3 Engine Company presented a list of active and exempt members of the company, and asked for certificates for the same. Several persons stated to the Board that they had been granted exemption papers some years ago, but had never received them. As the Board now has no power to incur any obligations they can only be obtained by individual payment for the same.

Mr. T. O. Doane, a representative to the Board, said that some of the firemen had been informed by the Collector that they were entitled to exemption from taxation to the amount of $5, provided a certificate was produced, showing that the applicant was really an active member of the department. The President was authorized to certify to the applicant's eligibility for exemption.

Exemption papers were asked for Mr. Armstrong and Joseph Cooney, by reason of their having served seven years as members of Zephyr Hook and Ladder Company.

A communication was received from Gazelle Engine Company, in which it stated that John M. Jackson, the firebug, had been expelled from that company, for conduct unbecoming a fireman. The action of the company was endorsed and Jackson will be given an opportunity to appear in person and answer to the charge, fifteen years hence.

The Secretary was instructed to notify Robert Skinner and all others, against whom there are charges for insubordination, to appear for a hearing at the next meeting; also to notify those who preferred the charges to be on hand to sustain them.

GENERAL DISCUSSION.

A long discussion followed on the matter of protection, getting the apparatus to fires, etc. Mr. McClure suggested that the city be divided up in districts, No. 1 engine to be kept on call; No. 2 engine to go on duty in this city, and No. 3 engine in North Plainfield. He said the control of the department would eventually fall into the hands of the Council, and if the city was derelict in taking action to protect the property, certainly no blame could be attached to the Board.

Mr. Brower, said that since the decision of the Supreme Court had practically taken the management of the department from the Board, still the Commissioners were responsible for the department property; the Board had the power to lock up every engine house in the city and borough, but it did not propose to do it. He hoped there was still a sufficient interest taken by the firemen to turn out in case of emergency, and strive to save the property of our citizens.

The President said he had always felt proud of the Fire Department, but a few persons had complained of the management, and had finally succeeded in breaking up the volunteer department, which has done such effective service in the past; the very few who fought against the payment of the little tax imposed for the maintenance of the volunteer fire department, will hereafter be obliged to pay more for the support of a paid department. He hoped a general good feeling would prevail among the members.

The meeting then adjourned.

A Remarkable Trial.

The mock trial given under the auspices of the Senior Society of the Y. M. C. A. at their rooms last evening was a pronounced success. City Judge Ulrich presided, and the members of the society and their friends who enacted the parts of counsel, prisoner, witnesses, court officers and jurymen, entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion and performed their several parts in a most creditable manner. The prisoner, who was known by the very characteristic name of "Looney" Talbot, was an eccentric millionaire residing at No. 1005 Stiger Place North Plainfield, and the action was brought by his son, Malachi Talbot, who endeavored to prove that his father was insane. The grounds of this action consisted in the conduct of the aforesaid Looney Talbot, in his remarkable methods of philanthropic work. For example it was alleged that he gave $500,000 to found a retreat in Plainfield for disabled car horses; $125,000 for a Female Inebriate Asylum, and $50,000 for a college for the study of delirium tremens, and that his contribution to the building fund of the Y. M. C. A. was exactly one dollar, while on a certain occasion he gave $100 to a boy named Gingerbread, a street sweeper. These facts were all admitted by the defence, but good and valid reasons were assigned for them and witnesses both for and against Talbot testified, and were examined and cross-examined by the learned Counsel on either side. The Judge's charge to the jury was most effective and after a short deliberation they returned a verdict that the charge of insanity was not proven. A vote of thanks was given to Judge Ulrich for presiding at the trial, and the court adjourned *sine die*.

Stuffing the First Ward Ballot Box.

The only exciting feature of the recount by Judge VanSyckel, at Elizabeth, yesterday, was the discovery in the box of the First ward of this city, of twenty-five straight Republican ballots that had not been folded or run through the registry but had been strung with the original votes. They had evidently been placed on the bottom of the string as a "sinker" and there were just enough to be a "sinker" for County Clerk Crowell if the careless error had not been plain and easy of correction. Judge VanSyckel had counted the whole twenty-five for Mr. Oliver the contestant, when his attention was called to the appearance of the ballots by Mr. Fred Marsh, counsel for Mr. Crowell, the candidate elected. The votes were then thrown out.

The result of the recount as announced in these columns yesterday, was the increasing of Mr. Crowell's plurality to 25. The totals declared by the Judge were: Crowell, 5,505; Oliver, 5,480.

DUNELLEN.

Mr. John Milliken is building for himself a handsome new residence on Washington avenue.

Mr. M. A. Davis has returned from a trip through the Eastern States.

Capt. Braes of the steamship "State of Nebraska" of the State line, running between New York and Glasgow, was the guest, during yesterday, of Mr. J. W. Handren.

The family of Mr. John Hunt will leave today to join Mr. H. in Illinois. Monday evening they were tendered a party by their friends, previous to their departure. Among the guests were a number of persons from Plainfield.

Rats in the Post Office.

Delivery Clerk Runyon of the Post Office has to answer innumerable funny questions during a day's visit at the front window, and receives many queer replies. He thinks, however, the most pertinent he ever received was from a little mite of a girl yesterday, who, standing on tiptoe, asked the genial clerk in a piping voice—"Have you found that letter yet?" "What letter?" asked the clerk. "Let her go Gallagher!" responded the voice, and only the pattering of little feet and the astonished visage of the clerk were to be heard and seen for an instant about the Post Office.

We Were Ahead Again.

The "Only telegraph news franchise in this section" announced in the Plainfield *Evening (?)*, last evening, that the recount for County Clerk "would not be finished today." But THE PRESS' special service telegraphed the finish and result, and the news was given our readers, the people, in these columns last evening.

POSTAL TELEGRAPHY

FEATURES OF THE MEASURE INTRODUCED BY COLLUM.

Postal Telegraphy Offices to be Opened at First, Second or Third-Class Postoffices.

Ten Cents for Twenty Words.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The postal telegraph bill introduced by Senator Co lum establish the "United States Postal Telegraph" as a part of our postal system. For the purpose of inaugurating the system it provides that the following telegraph trunk lines shall first be constructed: One from Washington, D. C., to Portland, Me., via Baltimore, Wilmington, Philadelphia, Camden, Trenton, Newark, Jersey City, New York, Brooklyn, New Haven, Hartford, Providence and Boston, one from Washington to Minneapolis, via Pittsburg, Cleveland, Toledo, Chicago, Milwaukee, Madison, La Crosse and St. Paul, one from New York city to Cleveland via Albany, Utica, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo and Erie, Pa.; one from Pittsburg to Topeka, Kan., via Columbus, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Kansas City and minor towns near the large cities; one from Toledo to Detroit; one from Washington to Galveston, via Richmond, Charlotte, Columbia, S. C., Augusta, Atlanta, Montgomery and New Orleans; one from Chicago to New Orleans via Indianapolis, Louisville, Nashville, Memphis and Vicksburg; one from Chicago to St. Louis via Peoria and Springfield; one from Chicago to San Francisco via Des Moines, Omaha, Cheyenne, Salt Lake City, Carson City and other towns en route, and one from Cheyenne to Denver.

Postal telegraph offices are to be opened at the places named and at all intermediate points at which first, second or third class postoffices are established. Branch lines it provides, shall be constructed from time to time as appropriations therefor are made by congress, the intention being to connect it with all cities where the postal free delivery system prevails; but no additional facilities are to be provided in states already connected wich the trunk lines until postal telegraph offices have been established in every state and territory. The system is to be constructed in straight lines as near as practicable, but regard is to be taken of cities that will afford the best telegraphic facilities to the public. The lines are to be constructed by the engineer corps of the army, and then transferred to the custody of the postmaster-general. The poles are to be of iron, the wires of copper and all other materials of the best characters.

Eight wires are to be strung on the line from New York to Chicago and four upon other lines. The secretary of war is authorized to use the military service lines of the United States as far as expediment, and also to make all necessary condemnations of lands and buildings at a fair compensation. All disputes as to what is a fair compensation are to be settled by the Court of Claims. The secretary is further authorize to construct, take and use all machinery and devices, not including telegraph lines, whether patented or not, as shall be deemed necessary, the compensation to be determined in the same manner as condemnations of land. The sums of money necessary for this purpose are appropriated by the bill.

A rate of ten cents for each twenty words and five cents for each additional ten words is fixed for distances under 500 miles, and an additional rate of five cents for each 250 miles over 500. A night rate of 35 cents and a day rate of 75 cents is fixed for each 100 words transmitted to newspapers, except that where the same despatch is dropped off at more than one office the rates shall be 25 and 50 cents respectively.

The office of director-general of telegraphs is created as a part of the postoffice department. It is made the duty of of the postmaster-general to report to congress, after the passage of the act, a plan for the complete reorganization of the postal telegraph system, with detailed estimates of men and money needed. Four million dollars is appropriated for the location and construction of the telegraph lines provided for by the act.

ANTI-POWDERLY MOVEMENT.

Knights of Labor Who Wish to Return to the Iron-Clad Oath of the Order.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Dec. 14.—The reorganization of the knights of labor of this city will be contingent upon a return to the secrecy and binding oath of the original organization. There are now 150 men banded together for a reorganization of the order with that proviso in this city, and there is every reason to believe that they will be successful in their project.

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James McMullen, formerly master workman of local assembly No. 5,528, was yesterday authorized to communicate with John Morrison, master workman of district assembly No. 126, of New York, to secure his presence at an early day to assist in reorganizing the lapsed Rubber Worker's assemblies of this city and Milltown, and the Railroaders', Leather Shoemakers' and Printers' assemblies of this city. Morrison it appears, is the agent of the Provisional committee, composed of the master workmen of district assemblies No. 24 and 57, of Chicago, and is strongly opposed to Powderly and Hayes.

The reorganization will therefore be made subject to the approval of the provisional committee, which is likewise composed of those men who renounced Powderly at the Minneapolis convention and threatened to quit the platform adopted by the knights at that time. Morrison is expected to reach this city and begin the work of reorganization early next week. John Dickens, the present leading man among the laboring classes, is said to be opposed to a reorganization of the assemblies named under the conditions indicated, and may be expected to use his influence against the scheme.

Serious Charges Against a Priest.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 14.—Four men called at Bishop Gilmour's residence yesterday and presented to him a list of charges against Father Kolazoaski, priest of Stanislas church. The list contains sixteen specifications. The charges allege that he has been guilty of drunkenness, and that upon one occasion, when his aged father detected him in an immoral act, the priest assaulted him. It is alleged that he demanded and received money for confession, and made sport of the confession of women in his congregation. The document was signed by fifteen persons who claim to have been witnesses of the various acts alleged in the lists. Bishop Gilmour claims that the men have personal spite against the priest.

Senator Faulkner to be Seated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The senate committee on privileges and elections held a meeting yesterday morning to consider the Faulkner-Lucas contested election case from West Virginia. Mr. Ducas and Mr. Faulkner each addressed the committee. The committee then voted unanimously to seat Mr. Faulkner.

TEN DEATHS BY FIRE.

Three Children in Virginia and Mother and Six Children in Dakota, Burned.

POINT PLEASANT, W. Va., Dec. 14.—On Sunday Henry Fawcett and his wife living five miles south of here, went to church leaving their three children, the eldest being but five years old, locked up at home. When the parents returned to the house it was in ashes, and the children all burned to death. This is the third case of this kind in this section within a year.

HURON, Dak., Dec. 13.—The wife and six children of a farmer named Harris, living at Wessing, were burned to death last Saturday night. About one a. m. Mrs. Harris, and her husband were awakened by fire and smoke, and found that the house was on fire below. All of them were in the upper story, which was in one room. The father tried to get down the stairway, but was driven back by fire. Then he went through a window to the ground below, calling to the others to throw out the children for him to save. The youngest was thrown out by its mother, and Harris caught it.

Mrs. Harris's brother, who was living with them, did not stop to aid his sister, but followed Harris to the ground, and so did Harris's large boy. Before the mother could toss out another child the building had fallen, burying her and the six children in a fiery grave. One or two walls from the burning and all was over. Before help came all who were saved were seriously injured by the cold, the mercury being down to twelve degrees below zero and the wind blowing hard. Sunday morning the remains from the ash heap were merely fragments

Our Mexican Trade.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Persons well informed in diplomatic matters say that negotiations are pending between the United States and Mexico for a treaty which will provide for an international coin, or silver certificate, or for some monetary regulation by which the exchanges between the two countries can be effected with ease, and without loss, and which will tend to promote the commercial relations between the two countries. It was admitted at the Mexican legation that such a subject had been considered, but the negotiation is not in such a state that the representatives of either government are prepared to talk about it. Those who are interested in the new trade development between the United States and Mexico are anxious that some international arrangement shall be made by which interchange between the two countries can be effected which will be beneficial to both. One of the great drawbacks to the successful operation of the new postal convention between the United States and Mexico is the fact that it is very difficult for the Mexicans to make payments in the United States for merchandise which they purchase here.

An Attack Upon Mr. Cleveland.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 14.—Admiral Foote Post, G. A. R., of this city, opens a big fair in the Union armory here to night for the benefit of dependent soldiers and sailors. Democrats and republicans, whether belonging to the Grand Army or not, have contributed towards making the fair a success and much indignation has been aroused among some of the democrats because an advertisement attacking Cleveland has been allowed to appear in the columns of the "Knapsack," the official organ of the fair. This advertisement is of a Hartford publishing house who are issuing "War Memories." It says, "We think President Stephen G. Cleveland likes an exrebel soldier better than he does a Union veteran, and we believe he represents the sentiments of the great majority of the democratic party in so doing."

Female Compositors Object.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 14.—The refusal of the well-known publishers, Rand, Avery and Co., to print Dr. Justin D. Fulton's book, "Why priests should wed," has stirred up a violent discussion in this city. The publishers agreed to get out the work before reading it, but their female compositors refused to handle the manuscript on the ground that it was indecent. Rand, Avery an Co. sustained them in this and refused to publish the book or to return Dr. Fulton his manuscript. The preacher charged them with being under the control of the Catholic church, and the publishers to-day issued a card saying that they will leave the question of the indecency of the manuscript to a referee. If he decides that it is fit to be printed they will go ahead with it.

A Family Chloroformed by Burglars.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 14.—Burglars entered the house of Charles Bergold, a prominent merchant of this city, at midnight, and, after chloroforming the whole family, ransacked the house and stole a large number of articles of silverware, jewelry, etc. They got about $58 in cash. The family were with difficulty aroused this morning, and are still suffering from the effects of the drug.

Forged Successfully and Fled.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 14.—Frank Laybourne, grocer, left here on Saturday. It has since developed that he forged several notes on which he secured money. The amount known reaches about $1,200. It is thought he has forged notes of farmers to a considerable extent. B. F. Funk, wholesale grocer, has attached his stock.

Harper's Pal on Trial.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—The trial of Benj. E. Hopkins, late assistant cashier of the Fidelity National bank, began to-day in the United States court, Judge Sage presiding alone. The court passed upon the demurrer which had been argued and struck out six of the forty or fifty counts, which cover ppactically the same acts.

Opening the Sioux Reservation.

PIERRE, Dak., Dec. 14.—Pierre people are jubilant over the early passage of a bill throwing open the Sioux reservation to settlement. Private despatches indicate that the bill will pass the house with little or no opposition. The senate is understood to be of the same mind.

Heavy Copper Shipment.

ISHPEMG, MICH., Dec. 14. A special train of fifteen cars left the copper region yesterday for New York, carrying 350,000 pounds of barrelled copper. Other heavy shipments will follow as fast as the copper can be got ready. The amount of copper on hand at the mills is growing small.

Sailed Away Leaving $3,000 Bills Behind.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Dec. 14.—The schooner Oscar and Hattie, which was fitted out ostensibly for a trip to the banks, has sailed suddenly, it is learned for San Francisco, leaving $3000 unpaid bills behind. When the sheriff tried to attach her she had disappeared.

A Sugar Laden Brig Ashore.

NANTUCKET, Dec. 14.—The brig Augio, Captain Love, laden with sugar and bound to Boston, from Demerara, is ashore on the east end of this island.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 9, 1887.

Atkinson, Miss M A	Mullins, Miss Annie (2)
Brown, Harry	Peterson, Mrs Josie
Buckler James	Randolph, Mrs Jessie
Combes, Mrs H G	Rionce, Mrs Jane
Drake, A M	Robson, Miss Lucy
Euler, Mr F	Shultice, Mr Wm
Flagg, Miss Emily L	Scott, Mrs M J A
Felker, Miss Rebecca	Stansberry, Mrs Maria
Gardner, Peter	Scribner, Mrs Katie
Herenden, Mrs Ida (2)	Taylor, Jennie
Jackson, Miss Alice B	Thompson, Miss M H
Lane, Mrs Annie	Thompson, Miss May
McFarhie, L D	Wood, Geo M
Morris, Miss	Wilson, Mr K R
Martin, Miss Katie	Ward, Miss Maggie

persons calling for above please say advertised.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF MAILS.

NEW YORK MAILS.

CLOSE—8.00 and 10.00 a. m.; 2.00 and 5.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—7.30, 8.50, 11.45 a. m.; 2.30, 5.30 p. m.

SOMERVILLE, EASTON, ETC., MAILS.

CLOSE—7.30 a. m. and 4.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—8.50 a. m. and 6.30 p. m.

SUNDAY MAILS.

Arrive at 5.10 a. m. Office open from 9.30 a. m. to 10.30 a. m. Mail closes at 7 p. m.

Mail for Warrenville closes Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 m.

Post Office opens at 7 a. m. and closes at 7.30 p. m. Saturdays closes at 8.00 p. m. Open every evening until 8.30 p. m., to owners of lock boxes.

Owners of lock-boxes coming without their keys will please apply for their mail at the Side Delivery Windows.

Office Closed after 10 A.M. on all National Holidays.

Money order office open from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Saturdays 4 to 4 p. m.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

TWO PLEASANT ROOMS TO LET WITH board. Apply at 59 E. 6th St. 12-14-1d

FOR SALE—NEW DWELLING HOUSE ON E. Third Street, near Richmond. Seven rooms, attic and cellar. Will be sold reasonable; terms easy. Apply at this office. 12-12-3d

TO LET—HOUSE CORNER SIXTH AND DIvision Streets, furnished or unfurnished; for boarding or private use; in good order; all improvements. Rent very low to responsible parties. Apply to Mrs. E. D. Eaton, Division Street, between 5th and 6th. 12-6-tf

TRY THE "O. A. F." CIGAR; MADE FROM the finest Havana filler, without a particle of artificial flavoring. The best 5-cent cigar in the world. 11-16-tf

FURNISHED ROOMS, FOR GENTLEMEN only, over the Post Office. ELIZABETH SCHOBB. 9-22-tf

FOR SALE—MY PROPERTY ON WEST SECond Street. Price Moderate. Terms easy. T. H. TOMLINSON, M. D. 20-6-tf

FOR SALE—A SECOND-HAND, TWO HORSE "Peerless" power. In good order. Sold cheap, for want of use. Apply S. B. WHEELER, Netherwood Farm, Plainfield, N. J. 6-22-tf

FOR SALE—THE LOT SOUTH-EAST CORNER of Jackson avenue and Somerset street, about 160 feet square. For price and terms apply to O'REILLY BROS., Archt's and Storage Warehouse, from 109 to 123 E. 44th street N. Y. city.—my20tf

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Schoonmaker Collection of Cloisonne and Porcelain,

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At the Job Male Library & Art Gallery.

TICKETS—ONE DOLLAR. For sale at the Drug Stores and by the Art Committee.

The number of tickets is limited to 200, owing to the small seating capacity of the Gallery.

Doors open at 7:30. Lecture at 8 p. m.

JOB MALE, *President,*
GEO. H. BABCOCK,
J. B. DUMONT,
A. H. BALDWIN,
Art Committee.

12-14-tf

CONCERT.

VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL.

At the

New Bethel Chapel,

Cor. 5th & Washington Sts.,

Thursday, Dec. 15th, at 8 p. m.

ADMISSION, 25 CENTS.

12-13-2d

MUSIC HALL!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19th.

The charming Commedienne and Vocalist,

ANNIE PIXLEY,

Accompanied by her own select company in Gunter's Laughable Comedy,

"The Deacon's Daughter."

During the play Miss Pixley will introduce the following sparkling songs and medleys: "That Little Knot of Blue," "The Pixley Medley," "I'll Meet You D'ar," "The Language of Love," "The Wash-Tub Song," "The Drinking Song," "Jammo," etc. Tickets on sale at Field & Randolph's and J. G. Miller's Drug Stores, Friday, Dec. 16th. Prices as usual. 12-13-td

GRAND FAIR!

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, will hold a *FAIR* and *FESTIVAL* in the *NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL HALL*, on

Tuesday Evening and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Afternoons & Evenings,

DECEMBER 13, 14, 15 and 16.

Proceeds for the Building Fund.

A Fine Assortment of *USEFUL* and *FANCY ARTICLES* suitable for

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REFRESHMENTS, a la carte.

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Plush Cases, Perfumes, Mirrors, Odor Cases, and Manicure Sets.

Finest Goods and Lowest Prices in the City.

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ONE WEEK.

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MISS MILLIE AMMAR'S

NOVELTY TROUPE.

EVERYBODY gets a *PRESENT, FREE,* and the

Admission is Only 15 Cents!

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Every customer purchasing $5.00 worth of *DRY GOODS,* or from our large display of

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Will receive an elegant Morocco Leather-Lined *GAME OF LOTO.*

Genuine mark down in our

Cloak Department.

Wraps at $8.00, formerly $15.00.
New Markets, $8.00, " $11.00.
Misses New Markets, $6.00, formerly $9.00.

Cloaks from $1.00 upwards.

Silk Handkerchiefs from 10c. up.

I. H. BOEHM,

7 W. Front St.

13-12.tf

Howell & Hardy,
Fancy and Staple Groceries,

CHOICE TEA, COFFEE AND SPICES.

Creamery and Dairy Butter,

FRUITS, VEGETABLES, &c.,

North Avenue, Opposite Depot,

PLAINFIELD, N. J.

11-26-tf

REYNOLDS' PHARMACY,

Cor. Park and North Avenues, near R. R. Station. (Established 1868.)

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SUNDAY HOURS.

Reynolds' Pharmacy is open on Sundays for the dispensing of Medicines and Prescriptions,

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A Registered Dispenser always in attendance. my10tf

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TO THE PUBLIC.

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GOODS TAKEN ON STORAGE.

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Our ALMOND CREAM—(Original)—to heal and beautify the skin.

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Try our Cloth Cleanser for Grease Spots.

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HENRY S. IVES ARRESTED

A CRIMINAL CHARGE AGAINST THE YOUNG NAPOLEON,

Charged With Stealing a Draft for $100,000--His Sister Comes to the Rescue With $25,000 Bail.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Young Henry S. Ives, the most recent Napoleon of Finance, was polishing his silk hat and arranging his necktie previous to leaving his new office at 96 Broadway yesterday afternoon when Court Officer Edward O'Connor, of the Tombs squad, entered and served the smiling financier with a warrant of arrest. Ives has had so much to do with officers of the law lately that it takes more than one policeman to scare him, so he calmly read the paper and remarked: "I'm charged with grand larceny, I see. Let us go up to my lawyers." Then he took the policeman to the office of Hoadley, Lauterbach and Johnson, and Mr. Johnson accompanied him to the Tombs police court.

Justice Kilbreth had put on his overcoat and was just going home when the officer arrived with Ives. He obligingly took his seat on the bench again and listened to the complaint, which was made by Julius Dexter, of Cincinnati, the president of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad. Mr. Dexter was present and had as counsel Mr. George W. Cass.

The affidavit upon which the warrant for the arrest of Ives had been issued alleges that on June 6, 1887, a certain draft, numbered 4 and drawn by the First National bank of New York to the order of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad company for $100,000 and indorsed by the assistant treasurer of the company, F. H. Short, had been stolen by Henry S Ives. The draft was alleged to be the property of the railroad company. It had been sent to Ives as trustee of the company to be turned over to A. R. McKeen, president of the Terre Haute and Indianapolis railroad company, in part payment of $889,500, which was due to the latter road for rolling stock purchased by the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton. Ives, instead of indorsing and delivering the draft to the order of President McKeen, it is alleged, indorsed it to the order of H. S. Ives and Co., of which George H. Stayner and Thomas C. Doremus were copartners, and deposited it with the American Exchange National bank to the credit of the firm.

"What have you to say to this charge, Ives?" asked Justice Kilbreth.

"I am not guilty" replied the young Napoleon coolly. "I was not prepared for this and did not expect to be arrested. The case is one for civil legislation."

Ives gave his age as twenty-four years, although it is known that he is several years older, and said that he lived at No. 136 Joralemon street, Brooklyn. Mr. Johnson said that they had not anticipated the case being brought into a police court, but now that it was there every one concerned wanted it pushed right along.

Justice Kilbreth then fixed Thursday at 10 a. m., as the time for examination, and that in view of the large amount involved he would fix the amount of bail at twenty-five thousand dollars. Ives stopped smiling when he heard this and turned anxiously to his counsel. Owing to the lateness of the hour he seemed afraid that it would be difficult to secure bail and evidently did not fancy the idea of spending the night in the tombs. The justice said that he would wait until 5:30 for bondsmen and a messenger jumped into a carriage and started away for Brooklyn to get the prisoner's sister to go on the bond.

Five minutes before the time was up the messenger returned with Miss Mary C. Ives a handsome and fashionably dressed young lady, who was very nervous and on the point of bursting into tears. She greeted her brother affectionately and said that of course she would go on his bond. Then Miss Ives declared that she was the owner of the Joralemon street house and that it was valued at fifty thousand dollars. She was accepted and Henry drove home with her looking as calm as usual.

In the court room were Lawyer Coombs, of Boston, who was said to be looking after some other interests which hinge upon the present case, and Dr. W. C. Foone, and Geo. Wattles, stockholders in the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad,

Ives feels confident that he will be acquitted on Thursday.

MR. POWDERLY ILL.

Stricken With a Severe Hemorrhage of the Lungs.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Information was received this morning at the Knights of Labor headquarters in this city to the effect that Master Workman Powderly had been stricken with a severe hemorrhage of the lungs.

The news over a private wire from Scranton to the Broad street headquarters, and was received by John W. Hayes, secretary of the general executive board. It created a great deal of excitement among Powderly's friends and the clerks, but everybody about the establishment was instructed to keep the matter a profound secret.

It is learned that his physician enjoined upon him repose as an essential to his recovery.

Mr. Powderly has hitherto been troubled with weakines of the lungs and occasionally slight hemorrhages, but none of his previous attacks, it is said, have ever been so serious as that of to-day.

By reason of his absence yesterday the board considered only unimportant routine business.

Civil Service Reform in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—An attempt to apply the civil service reform idea to the city government was made last night by the board of aldermen. The ordinance lacked only two votes of passing. It can be considered any time and may yet become the law. Letters favoring the proposed move were read from a number of the largest mercantile and manufacturing firms in Chicago.

Gen. Butler's Vote.

LOWELL, Dec. 14.—Gen Butler dramatically tore the republican ballott into pieces yesterday morning at his voting precinct and voted the head of it, Mr. Palmer. He held it up where his democratic friends could see see it.

Will Travel Around the World.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 14.—Robert Garrett has determined to extend his travels to Japan, India and then probably around the world. A despatch was received from the party yesterday stating that they would shortly sail from San Francisco.

Lake Navigation Closed.

BUFFALO, Dec. 14.—Lake navigation is closed at last. The propeller Northerner, the last boat from Chicago, arrived at four o'clock yesterday afternoon with 45,000 bushels of corn.

Vote of Dakota for Division.

BISMARCK, Dak., Dec. 13.—In north Dakota the majority against division is exactly 10,000, in south Dakota the majority for division is 13,938.

JAY GOULD ATTACKED.

POWDERLY'S CIRCULAR IN FAVOR OF POSTAL TELEGRAPHY.

Gould's System Can be Displaced if the People Will Awake--Western Union Suppressing Favorable Despatches.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—The general executive board of the knights of labor yesterday sent out the last secret circular prepared by Powderly. It is in reference to the establishment of a governmental system of telegraphy, and directs every local assembly of the great organization to issue red letter calls, appoints committees, and wait upon every congressman in the separate districts and persuade them to vote for the measure. This secret circular is one of the most vigorous ever issued by Mr. Powderly, and makes the most bitter attack upon Jay Gould and monopolists in general that has ever been made by the order. It first rubs the members of the order for not attending to their duties and working in the interest of governmental telegraph, and then tells of the combined efforts of the managers of telegraph lines to suppress all good and spread all discouraging news relative to the knights of labor. Continuing, the circular says:

"Through the medium of the monopoly gripped wires you are provided each day with a column of statistics showing how the order is being robbed by the general officers. You are told of the alleged extravagance and carelessness of the officers until trifles light as air are magnified ten thousand fold in the eyes of those who are not in a position to examine for themselves. If a few men who are fairly and honorably vanquished on the general assembly meet at the close of the same, and issue a manifesto making public that which they have been doing in secret for years, namely, their intention to break up this order, the fact is heralded throughout the world over the wires of an institution that will do anything fair or unfair to kill opposition. Resolutions denouncing the policy of the Knights of Labor will be flashed over the wires to all parts of the country while a resolution in favor of that policy will never be heard from. All of this cannot fail to have a disheartening, and it is expected that it will have demoralizing effect on our members. You can change your officers at the end of every term, but you only change them in name so long as the system remains which makes it possible for everything to be colored in favor of one management and one man. You can change that system if you will but lay aside until the proper time the petty qustions that are kept constantly before you by shortsighted men and designing knaves, dust is thrown in the eyes of our members, that they may become so blind as not to see the real designs that face us."

Mr. Powderly tells of the power of the western union, and how it stands without a rival, instancing the merging of the Baltimore and Ohio.

"Jay Gould rules absolutely the destinies of the American people," says Mr. Powderly, "and he is the practical owner of the United States which he wishes to take."

"The order cannot ask the press of this country to be independent as long as it allows monopoly to control both press and people."

The circular tells how the government in other countries has reduced postal charges to a minimum, and how, when mistakes are made in transmission or delivery, the government is always anxious to rectify such error. As a comparison it says complaint against the great Western Union Telegraph company is entirely useless, that is, unless the complainant has ten or twenty millions dollars to back him up. Mr. Powderly thinks that the general impression is evidenced by the words of Robert Garret, spoken while standing on the rear platform of the car which took him out of Baltimore: "Watch Jay Gould while I am gone or he will steal the state of Maryland." As to Mr. Gould's career, the General Master Workman says:

"Twelve years ago $3,000,000 worth of railroad bonds were taken in an illegal manner. It is alleged that Jay Gould was the thief. An effort was made to bring him to justice and send him to prison, but the statute of limitations was pleaded, and he went to England instead. The wires did not burn with accounts of the transaction, because they were held at one end by the man who was said to be the most interested party."

The circular says that Jay Gould has gone just as far as he ought to go in his career of rapacity. The system he represents can be displaced if the people awake from their slumbers. "The accounts of the next presidential election may be flashed over wires owned and controlled by the people if they will act at once."

SHE DECLINED TO ACCEPT IT.

Mrs. Cleveland Returns a Jewelled Casket Made Expressly for Her.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Archille Olivieri of Venice, Italy, a manufacturer of Venetian glassware and Mosaic jewelry, recently sent to Mrs. Cleveland a jewelled casket, made expressly for her. Yesterday the gift was returned with the following courteous note.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, Dec, 1st, 1887.

Mr. Archille Olivieri.

DEAR SIR: Mrs. Cleveland has requested me to acknowledge the receipt of your note of the 8th inst., and to say that she thoroughly appreciates the courtesy of your desire that she should possess the mosaic jewel case which you have sent her. It is, however, of too much value for her to think of retaining it. She prefers not to be the recipient of gifts from other than personal friends, and, without intending to be at all ungracious, has instructed me to return the casket.

The president and Mrs. Cleveland desire me to thank you for the invitation to view your picture, now on exhibition here, but they do not anticipate that it will be convenient for them to do so. Very respectfully, D. A. LAMONT,
Private Secretary to the President.

Utah Against the Reduction of Tariff.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 14.—About 300 mining men, merchants and professional men of the territory assembled in the chamber of commerce last night to protest against any reduction of existing tariff on lead or lead ore. Appropriate resolutions were passed and the board of directors were authorized to send a delegation to Washington to oppose the reduction on the metals named. The resolutions set forth that that such reduction would ruin thousands of people, because the lead and silver mines in this territory are producing $300,500,000 annually and are worth millions of dollars. Wool growers will frame similar resolutions at a meeting soon to be held.

Striking Shoemakers Return to Work.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Monday was the last day for the striking shoemakers to resume work under the notice of the manufacturers. In three of the factories the men have gone to work, with the understanding that they shall work six days a week for eight months, and five and a half days for four months. In two cases the advance of 25 cents a day to cutters has been conceded.

A NEW MARINE HOSPITAL.

Mr. Fairchild Points Out the Necessity for One and Asks an Appropriation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The secretary of the treasury yesterday sent a letter to the speaker of the house concerning the need of a marine hospital at the port of New York in accordance with the clause in the last sundry civil appropriation bill. He cites the reports of his predecessors to congress on this subject, which, he says, seemed to have escaped the attention of the framers of the law. Reference is also made to a letter from Secretary Whitney stating that the navy department has no land under its control which can be transferred to the treasury department as a site for the hospital without prejudice to the interest of the service.

"It thus appears," says Secretary Fairchild, "that there is no land now available belonging to the government for this purpose. The need of a hospital at this port has been represented to congress so many times as to make it seem a superfluity to do so again. In the last decade there have been 24,000 sailors treated at the port of New York and the department has leased a building known as the Seamen's Retreat hospital on Staten Island at an annual rent of eight thousand dollars. Hospitals in rented buildings are always unsatisfactory for the reason that the owners only contract to make ordinary repairs, and no matter how inadequate or ill-adapted to the purpose they may become it is impossible to make the necessary alterations upon them except at the expense of the government. It is therefore recommended that congress make an appropriation of $250,000 to enable the secretary of the treasury to establish a marine hospital at New York."

FATAL POWDER MILL EXPLOSION

One Man Torn Into Fragments and Nineteen Miraculously Escape.

SCRANTON, Pa. Dec. 14.—Dupotn's powder mills at Laflin, a small village on the Delaware and Hudson railroad, midway between this city and Wilkesbarre, were almost totally demolished by an explosion yesterday afternoon which occurred in the packing room and blew to pieces buildings containing the corning and glazing departments. Lewis Learch was the only person at work in the packing-room, in which were stored several hundred pounds of fulminate and giant powder. He was engaged in packing giant powdes when it exploded through some unknown cause. Learch was torn into fragments by the force of the explosion, and portions of his body were driven through the roof of the building, which was raised from its foundation and scattered in every direction.

The timbers of the building at once took fire and the flames communicated to other structures close by. Other explosions followed and some pieces of timber and long iron bolts were hurled hundreds of yards in the air. One of the pieces struck the house occupied by a family named Fleming, cutting clean through the clapboarding. Twenty men were at work in the mills when the explosion occurred, and the slight loss of life in comparison with the damage done the mills makes the accident the most remarkable of the many similar ones which have occured in this region.

Burial of Arch-Abbot Wimmay.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 14.—The remains of Arch-Abbot Boniface Wimmar, founder of the Benedictine Order, were buried under the high altar at St. Vincent's Abbey, Westmoreland County, Pa., at noon yesterday. The services were very impressive and were attended by the bishops, who were taken from the order, the Father Abbots of the different Abbeys in New Jersey, North Carolina and Iowa, and the mother superiors of the several houses of the Benedictine Order in various parts of the country. Just as Bishop O'Hara, of Scranton, was about to ascend the pulpit to deliver the panegyric at the obsequies of Arch-Abbot Wimmar, the priests of the order were informed that Father Morris Lynch, seventy-two years old and a coworker of the Arch-Abbot, had died in his room of paralysis.

Boston's Mayor Re-elected.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Mayor O'Brien was yesterday re-elected for one year. His majority of about 4,000 last year was reduced to 1,700 in a total vote of about 51,000. This is accounted for by unprecedented campaign work on the part of the republicans, whose candidate, Thomas N. Hart, president of Mount Vernon bank, made a splendid run in several democratic districts.

Proposed Union of Presbyterians.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 14.—The committees appointed by the last general assemblies of the northern and southern Presbyterian churches will meet in this city to-day to take steps looking to a union of the two bodies. The committees, after a joint meeting, will probably recommend to the respective general assemblies at the next regular session some action in regard to the matter.

Texas Still Collects the Tax.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 14.—Regardless of the recent decision of the federal court at Galveston declaring the state law taxing foreign drummers to be unconstitutional, the state comptroller has issued fresh instructions to county officials ordering them to enforce the law until it is repealed by the legislature, or until congress by express enactment denies the right of the state to impose such taxes.

Dempsey Defeats Regan.

NEW YORK Dec. 14.—Jack Dempsey won his twenty-eighth square stand-up fight yesterday by disposing of Johnny Regan in very handsome style. The third attempt to bring the men together without interruption proved successful, and Dempsey takes the $2,000 stakes and retains the middle-weight championship. The men battled forty-five rounds, lasting one hour and eight minutes in two rings.

A Lady Treasurer in Trouble.

BURLINGTON, Dec. 14.—There is trouble in the Women's Christian temperance union of this place. A shortage is reported in the accounts of Mrs. Lizzie White, who has been treasurer of the union for several years. For considerable time it seems the books could not be made to balance, and there were rumors that the president of the union had been using the funds

Postoffice Robbed of $20,000.

TORONTO, Dec 14.—A daring burglary was committed at the postoffice in the village of Norwood on Saturday morning, by which a loss of $11,000 in cash, $5,000 in stamps, and over $10,000 in notes and securities was sustained. The registered letters were also taken. The burglars blew off the door of the postoffice safe to get their plunder.

Heroic Treatment.

"Colonel," said a Kentucky lady to her sick husband, "the doctor says the ice-water you are taking is doing so much good that he thinks he will further increase the dose." "But, my dear," expostulated the sick Colonel, "does he understand that it has already been increased to a teaspoonful three times a day?"

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CRISIS IN INDIAN TERRITORY

The Two Factions Unable to Agree and Serious Trouble Feared.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—Advices from Tahlequah, Indian territory, say the ultimatum in the political crisis has been reached by nationals calling on the United States government to settle matters. They issue a circular declaring that an irresponsible body of men has taken forcible possession of the capitol and executive offices, and ask that this party be disarmed at once. They demand that the status as they existed before the seizure be fully restored. The nationals will then be willing to refer the settlement of the difficulties to arbitration.

The downings answer indorsing the desire for peace, but refuse to turn over the government to Bushy Head, disclaiming that the capitol is in the hands of an armed mob, but under the control of regularly elected officers, who were not regularly sworn in, because of the negligence of the national. As there is no legally qualified executive, they say it became necessary, to save the country from anarchy, that the officers elected should take their seats.

The manifesto proclaims that Bushy Head's term expired on November 7. They accordingly decline arbitration until it can be more clearly shown that the laws of the Cherokee nation are not adequate to determine such a crisis.

Agent Owen made a talk to a large mass meeting of both parties, and informed the people that he had a document signed by leading men of each party pledging peace. He had telegraphed to the Indian office at Washington, and the commissioners would be sent at once to settle the matter.

The national members of the senate and house refused to obey May's proclamation for an extra session, and most of them have gone to their homes.

A Boodler Victimized in Montreal.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14. A very sensational case of a boodler being victimized has just come to light and is causing some commotion in the American colony in August William Lorman Roberts, a Baltimore stock broker, was forced to leave there to escape prosecution for the embezzlement of six hundred thousand dollars in trust funds, and came on here, where he put up at the St. Lawrence Hall and lived like a prince as long as his money lasted, which was until the beginning of November. He then cast about for a means of livelihood and very naturally took to setting up as a broker, the fashionable name for a bucket shop keeper. He obtained a considerable sum to start with from his mother in Baltimore, and took as his partner a New Yorker named Roesch. All went well for a while and the new bucket shop made considerable money until Friday night when Roesch departed for New York taking with him all the funds of the concern. Now Baltimore's boodler is in a quandery. He cannot cross the line for fear of arrest, and if he remains here he will be penniless. He talks a good deal about suicide, but it is not believed he has courage enough for that.

The Tax on Tobacco.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The New York dealers and manufacturers are moving for the abolition of the tax on tobacco. A reporter who made inquiries at the establishments in Pearl street and vicinity to-day ascertained that it was proposed to call a meeting of the parties interested to take action in the matter. A similar movement was set on foot nearly a year ago, but was not pushed with much vigor. At that time a committee was appointed to draft a petition asking congress to either reduce or remove the tax, but for some reason which was unexplained the committee let the matter drop. It is claimed by the manufacturers and dealers that the tax places them at a disadvantage with foreign competition; that, as tobacco is so largely raised in this country, no drawback in the shape of internal tax should operate against its being manufactured in any form.

National Federation of Labor.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 14.—The second annual convention of the National federation of labor met here yesterday. Delegates were received by Mayor Latrobe on the part of the city. President Gombers of the convention responded. N. H. Talbor, for the Baltimore federation of labor, made an address of welcome. A committee on credentials was then appointed and the convention took a recess until 2:30 p. m.

Their Supply of Water Short.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Dec. 14.—Information has reached this city that Perth Amboy is threatened with a water famine, owing to the insufficient supply, which is given the people between 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. only. The attempts of the water company to supply the engines and tug-boats of the Lehigh Valley railroad company has cut off the city supply. The reservoir is said filled with mud, the accumulation of years.

Generous Bequests.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The will of Mme. Boucicaut leaves nearly $3,000,000 in sums varying from $20 to $2,000 to such employes as have been in her employ ten years. She also bequeaths $20,000 to young workmen's associations; $20,000 to the home for convalescent employes; $50,000 for the poor of Paris; $20,000 to M. Pasteur and other large bequests. Nearly all the employes of Bon Marche attended her funeral yesterday.

Sporting Notes.

Jersey City police are raiding the poker rooms in that city.

Another victim of football died Monday in Middletown Conn. It was Dennis O'Connor, well and favorably known. He received his injuries seven weeks ago.

Ed. Corrigan, the western horseman, has been getting his Ebenezer up again. Monday he assaulted Dr. Morrison Mumford, editor of the Kansas City "Times." The trouble grew out of an editorial scoring Corrigan. Mumford has two eyes in mourning and a scalp wound. Once before Corrigan pounded Mosier, a reporter of the "Times."

At Lexington Ky., yesterday, J. S. McKillop, of West Lawn, Canada, purchased of Gen. W. T. Withers, Solitaria, a yearling bay colt, by Greenmark, dam Bloom, by Hitchcock's Ashland, for $1,000. The same breeder has sold Hamonde, a bay stallion, 5 years old, by Happy Medium, dam Queen Vic, by Mambrino Chief, to W. S. Webb, of New York city, for $2,500, and Wizard's bay colt, 2 years old, by Happy Medium, dam Bewitch, by Almont, to A. M. Cristy, of Hagerstown, Md., for $1,000.

Classical Boston was treated to two prize fights Monday night. One between Manuel Spinney and Steve Donovan, two local light weights, was fought in the office of a prominent business man. At the end of the fifteenth round the referee heard the police trying to force an entrance and declared the fight a draw and hurried the fighters out of the back door. The whole crowd of fifty spectators were arrested, but released as the principals could not be found. The other mill was in the rooms of the Oxford club and was between two colored heavy weights, Ed. Benney and Lew Jones. It was a small glove fight of fifteen rounds for $200. Benney knocked Jack Lyman of Boston out in two rounds for a 25 dollars medal Boston sports are now willing to match Parton against any of the bantam-weights.

LEVY'S ONLY RIVAL.

He Finds That the Graphophone Can Reproduce His Playing.

Levy, the famous cornetist, has found a rival, says the Washington *Post*. It is a little machine called the graphophone. By its side Mr. Levy stood with his cornet in his hand. Upon its brass cylinder was placed a little tube of paper, covered thinly with wax. Then the recording diaphragm was placed in position, the needle fell in its place upon the surface of the wax, the operator started the treadle with his foot and the cylinder began to revolve.

Levy placed his cornet to his lips, and the familiar notes of "Robin Adair" filled the room. A moment later and the plaintive Scotch melody had given way to the merry tune of "Yankee Doodle," while the air quivered with the variations which Levy alone can produce. As these died away the cornetist played "The Last Rose of Summer" and "Killarney."

The recorder was removed and the reproducer substituted. Again the cylinder revolved and the little needle began to follow the infinitesimal track that had been carved upon the wax. A little fainter than the original playing, but preserving all the sweetness and the clearness of the cornet's notes, the graphophone began to repeat the tune of "Robin Adair." Then it rattled merrily the variations of "Yankee Doodle," while the notes of "The Last Rose of Summer" and "Killarney" were perfectly reproduced. More songs were played, and no matter how many twists and turns the cornetist gave to his notes he found that the graphophone recorded them all with marvelous minuteness and distinctness. Mr. Levy had played into the phonograph, but, as he remarked, that machine gave a metallic and harsh reproduction, failing entirely to preserve the delicate phrasing and the clear, bell-like tone which characterized his playing.

After the music there was some conversation.

"It's the most wonderful and astonishing thing I ever saw in my life," said Mr. Levy, and "It's the most wonderful and astonishing thing I ever saw in my life," echoed the graphophone, as it impudently repeated also a little cough to which Mr. Levy had given utterance. Finally the cornetist turned to depart.

"Good-bye," said Mr. Levy.

"Good-bye," replied the graphophone.

AFRAID OF DYNAMITE

A Good Story Told at the Expense of Detective Pinkerton.

In connection with recent dynamite alarms not a bad story is told on Mr. Pinkerton, says the Chicago *Tribune*. He is rather fond of horseradish with his meat, and about ten days ago bought a can of the radish and ordered it sent to his house. He forgot to tell his wife about it. Mrs. Pinkerton, it appears, has feared that some vicious person would yet make an attempt on her husband's life, and when the servant girl told her of the arrival of a can of something which she could not recollect ordering became alarmed at once. She directed the girl to take the package into the back yard at once and leave it there until Mr. Pinkerton's return. The girl did as directed, but, not having a sufficient fear of dynamite before her eyes, and impeled by that natural gift of woman, curiosity, concluded to open the can and see what it contained. She carefully removed the top and sustained no damages. There was no explosion and no fragment of hired girl went gyrating through the atmosphere of the neighborhood. She looked at the contents of the package and saw a whitish damp substance. Curiosity still had its grip upon her and she concluded to taste that which looked so harmless. She put a small quantity of the stuff into her mouth and chewed it. The result was not altogether satisfactory; the compound burned her tongue, and she fled to the house and to her mistress. With tears in her eyes she confessed what she had done, and then her mistress was only less alarmed than she. "It is poison! It is certainly poison!" was the frightened exclamation, and then presence of mind returned. The girl must take an emetic. One was prepared, the domestic took it, and when Mr. Pinkerton returned he found his wife reasonably calm, and his hired girl wan and interesting, but in no immediate danger of death. He found his horseradish in the back yard, where it had not been interfered with after the episode related.

WHISKERED WOMEN.

Seventy Per Cent. of Western Girls Burdened with Hirsute Excrescences.

Give a woman whiskers and she will surely live in misery. She will spend more time and money in endeavoring to eradicate these unpleasant and horrible excrescences than in preparing her toilet or arranging her spring bonnet. The St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* says: It is the remark of a prominent physician, who has given much time to the subject, that seventy per cent. of the women of the West are burdened with growths of hair upon their faces. Nearly every brunette is affected to some extent in this manner, and it would only require a little care and practice on her part to bring forth a visible crop of what the callow male of eighteen anxiously waits and watches for on his face. Blondes are not so badly affected, as the growth of hair upon their faces is too light and too fine to be observable, except upon very close inspection. "However," continued the physician aforesaid, "when the blonde does have a growth it is of a greasy shiny nature, that is far more harrowing to her feelings than the black down that appears upon the brunette's face. No doubt the causes that affect the color of the skin also affect the growth of the hair, for the darker complexion the greater the growth will be. It may be taken as a general rule that any lady who wishes to rid her self of a mustache or a beard will only increase its thickness after she begins to pay attention to it, for shaving, ointments, burning and plucking will not do otherwise than invigorate the roots and follicles. It is only by killing these follicles that the hair will cease to grow, and electricity is the only means yet discovered to accomplish this end. The process is novel and interesting. Several physicians of this city have acquired the science of using the electric needle, and have been engaged for some time in the work of ridding women of the greatest misery to which she can fall heir

Quite English, You Know.

The South Carolina Legislature is quite English, you know, in its methods of procedure. The two presiding officers wear handsome and costly gowns of blue and royal purple silk velvet, the "clerks" wear long, flowing robes of black silk, and the sergeants-at-arms open and close the sessions with the mace and sword of State, handed down from the colonial times. In the House of Representatives the members, when in their seats, wear their hats, as the English commons do.

LITTLE THINGS.

Straining at Gnats and Swallowing Camels.

A Great Sin Just as Bad as a Small One—The Faults of the Church and of Men in Commercial Life—Dr. Talmage's Sermon.

"Too Much Ado About Small Things" was the subject of Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage's last sermon at the Brooklyn Tabernacle. His text was "Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel." Matthew xxiii, 24. The eloquent preacher said:

A proverb is compact wisdom, knowledge in chunks, a library in a sentence the electricity of many clouds discharged in one bolt, a river put through a mill race. When Christ quotes the proverb of the text, He means to set forth the ludicrous behavior of those who make a great bluster about small sins and have no appreciation of great ones.

In my text a small insect and a large quadruped are brought into comparison—a gnat and a camel. You have in museum or on the desert seen the latter, a great, awkward, sprawling creature, with back two stories high, and stomach having a collection of reservoirs for desert travel, an animal forbidden to the Jews as food, and in many literatures entitled "the ship of the desert." The gnat spoken of in the text is in the grub form. It is born in pool or pond, after a few weeks becomes a chrysalis, and then after a few days becomes a gnat as we recognize it. But the insect spoken of in the text is in its very smallest shape, and it yet inhabits the water—for my text is a misprint and ought to read "strain out a gnat."

My text shows you the prince of inconsistencies. A man, after long observation, has formed the suspicion that in a cup of water he is about to drink there is a grub, or the grandparent of a gnat. He goes and gets a sieve or strainer. He takes the water and pours it through the sieve in the light. He says, "I would rather do any thing almost than drink this water until this larva be extirpated." This water is brought under inquisition. The experiment is successful. The water rushes through the sieve and leaves against the side of the sieve the grub or gnat. Then the man carefully removes the insect and drinks the water in placidity. But going out one day, and hungry, he devours a "ship of the desert," the camel, which the Jews were forbidden to eat. The gastronomer has no compunctions of conscience. He suffers from no indigestion. He puts the lower jaw under the camel's forefoot, and his upper jaw over the hump of the camel's back, and gives one swallow and the dromedary disappears forever. He strained out a gnat, he swallowed a camel.

While Christ's audience were yet smiling at the appositeness and wit of His illustration—for smile they did in church, unless they were too stupid to understand the hyperbole—Christ practically said to them, "That is you." Punctilious about small things; reckless about affairs of great magnitude. No subject ever withered under a surgeon's knife more bitterly than did the Pharisee's under Christ's scalpel of truth. As an anatomist will take a human body to pieces and put them under a microscope for examination, so Christ finds His way to the heart of the dead Pharisee and cuts it out and puts it under the glass of inspection for all generations to examine. Those Pharisees thought that Christ would flatter them and compliment them, and how they must have writhed under the red-hot words as he said, "Ye fools, ye whited sepulchres, ye blind guides, which strain out a gnat and swallow a camel."

There are in our day a great many gnats strained out and a great many camels swallowed, and it is the object of this sermon to sketch a few persons who are extensively engaged in that business.

First, I remark, that all these ministers of the gospel are photographed in the text who are very scrupulous about the conventionalities of religion, but put no particular stress upon matters of vast importance. Church services ought to be grave and solemn. There is no room for frivolity in religious convocations. But there are illustrations and there are hyperboles like that of Christ in the text that will irradiate with smiles any intelligent auditory. There are men like those blind guides of the text who advocate only those things in religious service which draw the corners of the mouth down, and denounce all those things which have a tendency to draw the corners of the mouth up, and these men will go to installations and to presbyteries, and to conferences, and to associations, their pockets full of fine sieves to strain out the gnats, while in their own churches at home every Sunday there are fifty people sound asleep. They make their churches a great dormitory, and their somniferous sermons are a cradle, and the drawled-out hymns a lullaby, while some wakeful soul in a pew with her fan keeps the flies off unconscious persons approximate. Now, I say it is worse to sleep in church than to smile in church, for the latter implies at least attention, while the former implies the indifference of the hearers and the stupidity of the speaker. In old age, or from physical infirmity, or from long watching with the sick, drowsiness will sometimes overpower one, but when a minister of the gospel looks upon an audience and finds healthy and intelligent people struggling with drowsiness it is time for him to give out the doxology or pronounce the benediction. The great fault of church services to-day is not too much vivacity but too much somnolence. The one is an irritating gnat that may be easily strained out, the other is a great, sprawling and sleepy-eyed camel of the dry desert. In all our Sabbath-schools, in all our Bible classes, in all our pulpits, we need to brighten up our religious message with such Christ-like vivacity as we find in the text.

I take down from my library the biographies of ministers and writers of past ages, inspired and uninspired, who have done the most to bring souls to Jesus Christ, and I find that without a single exception they consecrated their wit and their humor to Christ. Elijah used it when he advised the Baalites, as they could not make their god respond; telling them to call louder, as their god might be sound asleep or gone a hunting. Job used it when he said to his self-conceited comforters: "Wisdom will die with you." Christ not only used it in the text, but when He ironically complimented the putrefied Pharisees, saying: "The whole need not a physician," and when by one word He described the cunning of Herod, saying: "Go ye, and tell that fox." Matthew Henry's commentaries from the first page to the last coruscated with humor as summer clouds with heat lightning. John Bunyan's writings are as full of humor as they are of saving truth, and there is not an aged man here who has ever read "Pilgrim's Progress, who does not remember that while reading it he smiled as often as he wept. Chrysostom, George Herbe Robert South, John Wesley, George Whitefield, Jeremy Taylor, Rowland Hill, Nettleton, Charles G. Finney and all the men of the past, who greatly advanced the Kingdom of God, consecrated their wit and their humor to the cause of Christ. So it has been in all the ages, and I say to these young theological students, who cluster in these services Sabbath by Sabbath, sharpen your wits as keen as scimiters, and then take them into this holy war. It is a very short bridge between a smile and a tear, a suspension bridge from eye to lip, and it is soon crossed over, and a smile is sometimes just as sacred as a tear. There is as much religion, and I think a little more, in a spring morning than in a starless midnight. Religious work, without any humor or wit in it, is a banquet with a side of beef, and that raw, and no condiments and no dessert succeeding. People will not sit down at such a banquet. By all means remove all frivolity, and all bathos, and all lightness, and all vulgarity—strain them out though the sieve of holy discrimination but, on the other hand, beware of that monster which overshadows the Christian Church to-day, conventionality, coming up from the Great Sahara Desert of ecclesiasticism, having on its back a hump of sanctimonious gloom, and vehemently refuse to swallow that camel.

O, how particular a great many people are about the infinitesimals while they are quite reckless about the magnitudes. What did Christ say? Did He not excoriate the people in his time who were so careful to wash their hands before a meal, but did not wash their hearts? It is a bad thing to have unclean hands; it is a worse thing to have an unclean heart. How many people there are in our time who are very anxious that after their death they shall be buried with their feet toward the east, and not at all anxious that during their whole life they should face in the right direction so that they shall come up in the resurrection of the just whichever way they are buried. How many there are chiefly anxious that a minister of the gospel shall come in the line of apostolic succession, not caring so much whether he comes from Apostle Paul or Apostle Judas. They have a way of measuring a gnat until it is larger than a camel.

Again: My subject photographs all those who are abhorrent of small sins while they are reckless in regard to magnificent thefts. You will find many a merchant, who, while he is so careful that he would not take a yard of cloth or a spool of cotton from the counter without paying for it, and who if a bank cashier should make a mistake and send in a roll of bills five dollars too much would dispatch a messenger in hot haste to return the surplus, yet who will go into a stock company in which after a while he gets control of the stock, and then waters the stock and makes one hundred thousand dollars appear like two hundred thousand dollars. He only stole one hundred thousand dollars by the operation. Many of the men of fortune made their wealth in that way. One of those men, engaged in such unrighteous acts, that evening, the evening of the very day when he watered the stock, will find a wharf-rat stealing a newspaper from the basement doorway, and will go out and catch the urchin by the collar, and twist the collar so tightly the poor fellow can not say that it was thirst for knowledge that led him to the dishonest act, but grip the collar tighter and tighter saying, "I have been looking for you a long while; you stole my paper four or five times, haven't you? you miserable wretch." And then the old stock gambler, with a voice they can hear three blocks, will cry out, "Police, police!" That same man, the evening of the day in which he watered the stock, will kneel with his family in prayers and thank God for his prosperity of the day, then kiss his children goodnight with an air which seems to say "I hope you will all grow up to be as good as your father." Prisons for sins insectile in size, but palaces for crimes dromedarian. No mercy for sins animalcule in proportion, but great leniency for mastodon iniquity. A poor, silly boy takes from the basket of a market woman a choke pear, saving some one else from the cholera, and you smother him in the horrible atmosphere of Raymond street jail or New York Tombs, while his cousin, who has been skillful enough to steal $50,000 from the city, you will make him a candidate for the New York Legislature.

There is a great deal of uneasiness and nervousness now among some people in our time who have gotten unrighteous fortunes, a great deal of nervousness about dynamite. I tell them that God will put under their unrighteous fortunes something more explosive than dynamite, the earthquake of His omnipotent indignation. It is time that we learn in America that sin is not excusable in proportion as it declares large dividends and has outriders in equipage. Many a man is riding to perdition, postilion ahead and lackey behind. To steal one copy of a newspaper is a gnat; to steal many thousands of dollars is a camel. There is many a fruit dealer who would not consent to steal a basket of peaches from a neighbor's stall, but would not scruple to depress the fruit market; and as long as I can remember we have heard every summer the peach crop of Maryland is a failure, and by the time the crop comes in the misrepresentation makes a difference of millions of dollars. A man who would not steal one peach basket steals fifty thousand peach baskets. Go down in the summer time into the Mercantile Library, in the reading-rooms, and see the newspaper reports of the crops from all parts of the country, and their phraseology is very much the same, and the same men wrote them, methodically and infamously carrying out the huge lying about the grain crop from year to year and for a score of years. After a while there will be a "corner" in the wheat market, and men who had a contempt for a petty theft will burglarize the wheat bin of the nation and commit larceny upon the American corn-crib. And some of the men will sit in churches and in reformatory institutions, trying to strain out the small gnats of scoundrelism, while in their grain elevators and their storehouses they are fattening huge camels which they expect after a while to swallow. Society has to be entirely reconstructed on this subject. We are to find that a sin is inexcusable in proportion as it is great.

I know in our time the tendency is to charge religious frauds upon good men. They say: "O, what a class of frauds you have in the church of God in this day," and when an elder of a church, or a deacon, or a minister of the gospel, or a superintendent of a Sabbath-school turns out a defaulter, what display heads there are in many of the newspapers. Great primer type. Five line pica. "Another Saint Absconded," "Clerical Scoundrelism," "Religion at a Discount," "Shame on the Churches," while there are a thousand scoundrels outside the church to where there is one inside the church, and the misbehavior of those who never see the inside of a church is so great it is enough to tempt a man to become a Christian to get out of their company. But in all circles, religious and irreligious, the tendency is to excuse sin in proportion as it is mammoth. Even John Milton, in his "Paradise Lost," while he condemns Satan, gives such a grand description of him you have hard work to suppress your admiration. O, this straining out of small sins like gnats, and this gulping down great sins like camels.

This subject does not give the picture of one or two persons, but is a gallery in which thousands of persons may see their likeness. For instance, all those people who, while they would not rob their neighbor of a farthing, appropriate the money and the treasure of the public. A man has a house to sell, and he tells his customer it is worth twenty thousand dollars. Next day the assessor comes around, the owner says it is worth fifteen thousand dollars. The government of the United States took off the tax from personal income, among other reasons because so few people would tell the truth, and many a man with an income of hundreds of dollars a day made statements which seemed to imply he was about to be handed over to the overseer of the poor. Careful to pay their passages from Liverpool to New York, yet smuggling in their Saratoga trunks ten silk dresses from Paris, and a half dozen watches from Geneva, Switzerland, telling the custom-house officer on the wharf: "There is nothing in that trunk but wearing apparel," and putting a five dollar gold piece in his hand to punctuate the statement.

Described in the text are those who are particular never to break the law of grammar, and who want all their language an elegant specimen of syntax, straining out all the inaccuracies of speech with a fine sieve of literary criticism, while through their conversation profanity and falsehood larger than a whole caravan of camels, when they might better fracture every law of the language and shock intellectual taste, and better let every verb seek in vain for its nominative, and every noun for its government, and every proposition lose its way in the sentence, and adjectives and participles and pronouns get into a grand riot worthy of the Fourth ward on election day, than to commit a moral inaccuracy. Better swallow a thousand gnats than one camel.

Such persons are also described in the text who are very much alarmed about the small faults of others, and have no alarm about their own great transgressions. There are in every community and in every church watch-dogs who feel called upon to keep their eyes on others and growl. They are full of suspicions. They wonder if that man is not dishonest, if that man is not unclean, if there is not something wrong about the other man. They are always the first to hear of any thing wrong. Vultures are always the first to smell carrion. They are self-appointed detectives. I lay down this as a rule, without any exception, that those people who have the worst faults themselves are most merciless in their watching of others. From scalp of head to sole of foot they are full of jealousies and hypercriticisms. They spend their life in hunting for musk-rats and mud-turtles instead of hunting for Rocky Mountain eagles, always for something mean instead of something grand. They look at their neighbors' imperfections through a microscope, and look at their own imperfections through a telescope upside down. Twenty faults of their own do not hurt them so much as one fault of somebody else. Their neighbors' imperfections are like gnats and they strain them out; their own imperfections are like camels and they swallow them.

Put lest some might think they escape the scrutiny of the text, I have to tell you that we all come under the divine satire when we make the questions of time more prominent than the questions of eternity. Come now, let us all go into the confessional. Are not all tempted to make the question, Where shall I live now? greater than the question, Where shall I live forever? How shall I get more dollars here? greater than the question, How shall I lay up treasure in Heaven? the question, How shall I pay my debts to man? greater than the question, How shall I pay my obligations to God? the question, How shall I gain the world? greater than the question, What if I lose my soul? the question, Why did God let a sin come into the world? greater than the question, How shall I get it extirpated from my nature? the question, What shall I do with to twenty, or forty, or seventy years of my sublunar existence? greater than the question. What shall I do with the millions of cycles of my post-terrestrial existence? Time, how small it is! Eternity, how vast it is! The former more insignificant in comparison with the latter than a gnat is insignificant when compared with a camel. We dodged the text. We said, "That doesn't mean me, and that doesn't mean me," and with a ruinous benevolence we are giving the whole sermon away.

But let us all surrender to the charge. What an ado about things here. What poor preparation for a great eternity. As though a minnow were larger than a behemoth, as though a swallow took wider circuit than an albatross, as though a nettle were taller than a Lebanon cedar, as though a gnat were larger than a camel, as though a minute were longer than a century, as though time were higher, deeper, broader than eternity. So the text which flashed with lightning of wit as Christ uttered it, is followed by the crashing thunders of awful catastrophe to those who make the questions of time greater than the questions of the future, the oncoming, overshadowing future. O, eternity! eternity! eternity!"

FLINT-LOCK PISTOLS.

Old-Fashioned Weapons That Are Highly Prized by Collectors.

The old style of flint-lock, muzzle-loading pistol will bring twice the price to-day that it commanded when it was the finest thing known in the way of small fire-arms. But it is purchased as a relic, a curiosity. It is very hard to get one. They are, of course, no longer made, and those who chance to have one hold on to it because it will get still more valuable as it becomes older.

The old style of pistol was never of much use. The flint-lock went off only about once in ten trials. Then it took about as much time and bother to load as a gun. The handle of this old pistol was generally of black walnut or some hard, dark wood with cuts crosswise to give a better grasp. The handle was also made long so that it could be held the more steadily. The old-style weapon was some ten inches in length about thirty-six caliber, and with a hair trigger. It could not be carried conveniently except in a belt.

The best manufacturers of these pistols were a Dublin firm, McMullan Brothers. The firm no longer exists. They are not regularly manufactured in these days of revolvers. Some few are made, dragged around in the dirt to make them look scratched and worn, and when the barrel gets a little rusty they are offered to the public as antiquities.

"These old pistols," said one of the employes of the Remingtons, "can hardly be found anywhere in this country. It is hard to tell where they have vanished to. I have been all over the United States, and even in Dakota you don't meet with them. There are some in Europe and Costa Rica. They are used for dueling. The old style of pistol is now an object of interest only to collectors. But the best specimens have already been bought up."

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BY THE WAY.

—Our merchants have their windows handsomely decorated with Christmas gifts.

—A report without foundation was circulated on the streets yesterday to the effect that Foreman Hope of Gazelle Eng. Company, had been collecting in all the badges from the members, and had called a special meeting for the purpose of disbanding the company. The report was false.

—Devoe the weather prophet has been heard from again much to the delight of our young lady friends, but his report causes a sad smile to play over the face of the pecuniary young man. He promises fine sleighing by Sunday a week and says the holidays will be accompanied by severe weather.

—Among the valuable birds on exhibition at Madison Square Garden, New York, this week, are a number of homing pigeons belonging to members of the Plainfield Club. The remarkable records of some of the birds, as taken from the columns of THE PRESS, are also displayed and attract much commendation.

—The Somerset County Board of Freeholders met in regular session at Somerville Tuesday afternoon, and besides the routine business claims to the amount of $4,000 were audited and ordered paid. The Board adjourned to meet again on Saturday, the 24th inst., when full reports will be made of the damage done throughout the county by the flood last Summer.

Fire Alarm Regulations.

Since the Supreme Court has decided that the Fire Board has no power to assess and collect taxes, some of the companies are without means to get their apparatus to fires. Heretofore horses have been hired to draw the apparatus and cart supplies, where no horses were owned by the company or stabled in the engine houses, but the hands of the Fire Commissioners are now tied and they are powerless to contract any debts for horse hire or otherwise. Thus the advancement of the city, so far as its fire department is concerned, moves back apace instead of progressing, and the old method of hauling the apparatus by hand, is again in vogue. This will necessarily require more time for the firemen to reach the fire than heretofore, and in case of a rapid spreading of the flames, greater damage must result. Chief Waters has decided upon a plan for sending out the alarm, which, it is thought, will work effectively. It is as follows: For a regular alarm the fire bell will ring as usual; for a second alarm for same fire, five strokes, three minutes interval, then five strokes more, and so on. The various companies have received instructions, so that no complications can arise in answering an alarm.

Runaway on Park Avenue.

An exciting runaway occurred on Park avenue about eleven o'clock today, which resulted in completely wrecking a depot wagon. The horse belonged to Mr. C. Schipper of West Seventh street and was left standing at the freight house while the driver was attending to some business. Unnoticed, the horse started of on a slow trot, and turning into Park avenue went in the direction of Seventh street. A young son of Peter Rickert, climbed in the wagon from the rear, and attempted to get control of the reins, but in doing so he pushed over a moveable seat and was thrown headforemost from the wagon, rolling under the animal's feet. Fortunately he was uninjured, but presented a pitiable sight when he gathered himself up and began to scoop the mud from his clothes. Rickert's falling from the wagon frightened the horse to such an extent that he ran down the avenue at a terrific speed. At the corner of Seventh street the wagon came in contact with some projecting object, with the above result. The horse was subsequently caught on Eighth street.

HOW THE PRICE OF COAL IS REGULATED.

The Wholesale Dealers Try to Boycott a Plainfield Retailer.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—As promised in yesterday's issue of THE PRESS, we now detail in full the obstacles we have had to contend with since starting in the coal business, by the combination of coal dealers in this city. We engaged in business the latter part of the month of August last, and gave our first order for twenty-five cars of coal on the 15th day of August last, and received the following reply:

Messrs. Hetfield Bros., Plainfield, N. J.

GENTLEMEN:—Your favor of 15th inst is rec'd and noted. We can send you some coal right away and we enter order as stated for immediate shipment. We will send the Upper Lehigh coal and trust you will find it satisfactory in all respects. Our Mr. * * * will call on you when he is next in your city. Awaiting further commands we remain

Yours truly,

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Aug. 17, 1887.

We received shortly afterwards seventeen cars of the above order which we soon carted out and waited patiently for the balance of our order, in the meantime though we had sent in another order. The next we heard from them was the following communication together with bill for what they had sent.

Messrs. Hetfield Bros., Plainfield, N. J.

GENTLEMEN:—Your esteemed favor of 31st ult. duly received and noted. When we accepted your first order we had no thought of any objection being made to our sending you coal at Plainfield, as we assumed you were doing business as other dealers were, located there, but we find as the result of our first shipment to you, and the shipment to Mr. Cadmus, that we are violating our agreement as members of the Coal Exchange as your firm is not a member thereof. We shall be glad to do business with you on the same conditions as with your neighbors, and we trust that you can soon arrange to remove all obstacles to our doing so.

Yours truly,

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Sept. 2, 1887.

Upon the receipt of the above letter we were nearly out of coal. We the sent the following reply to the above communication:

Yours of the 2d inst received and contents noted. We know nothing of your violating any agreement with the Coal Exchange. But we do know that we ordered twenty-five cars of coal of you, which order was accepted, as per yours of the 17th ult. and acknowledged the same in yours of 2d inst. We have received seventeen cars of the order accepted by you. We can see of no reason why, if you have violated your agreement with the Coal Exchange, that you should violate another agreement with us. We hold ourselves in readiness to send you check for our order as soon as delivered. Please cancel our last order and oblige

Yours truly,

HETFIELD BROS.

Sept. 7, 1887.

We have received statements frequently since then with a request that we send check for the amount, but we have paid no attention whatever to their request. Last week the agent for the firm from which we bought called on us and we informed him that we would not pay his firm until they had completed their order. After being shut off from that source we gave an order to another agent on Sept. 6th last for forty-five cars of coal. We received from him forty-one cars of the order when we received the following communication:

Hetfield Bros., Plainfield,

GENTS:—Yours received. I may not exactly understand you. I directed previously the 18 car order to be duplicated. Is your present 20 car order to be in addition to the order that is now in for 18 cars not yet shipped. Permit me to suggest to you to get full retail prices for your coal as their will be no trouble in doing so now. No change in the situation in Lehigh region, strike may end in a week or may last for months. No certainty in regard to prices for Oct. I will explain more fully about retail prices when I see you.

Yours truly.

* * * * * *

Sept. 24, 1887.

We received no more coal from that source, but he called on us soon afterwards and informed us that he obtained his hard coal through another firm, who were members of the State Coal Exchange and unless we obtained full retail prices his firm would not ship any more to us. The consequence was we were again shut off on our supply. We again on Oct. 10 ordered from two other sources and received part of the order from each. Being out of coal again we called on one of the firms who told us they were honorary members of the State Coal Exchange and could not take any more orders from us, and also informed us that they had received two communications, one from the Secretary of the State Coal Exchange, and the other from a prominent dealer in coal of this city, which two communications were shown and read to us, the one from the Plainfield dealer stating in substance that we were selling coal less than the other dealers here in defiance of them. That same evening we called on the aforesaid prominent dealer here and informed him that we had learned of his communication and further warned him that if "the combination" in any way interfered further with our business, we would publish the whole matter to the public, and bring suit for damages. It became now almost impossible to buy coal without joining the combination, and putting up from $200 to $500 to abide by the majority vote of the Plainfield combine as to price, and to forfeit the amount if found underselling. We then concluded that we would not join the combination until every means had been exhausted. We then took a trip to the mines in Pennsylvania and succeeded in buying and receiving in our yard in one week sixty-two cars of coal, and are constantly receiving shipments of coal to keep us supplied. It has been the policy and the aim of the combine to shut us off in our supply, and failing in that attempt it is now their plan to drive us out of the business with their capital, by reducing the price of coal, and any further reduction from our price $5.50 by the combine would not be for the benefit of the general public, but to drive us out of the business and then coal would go back to their own prices. Now it depends with the general public whether they will appreciate the trouble and expense we have been to, or whether they will still patronize those who would practice extortion.

Dec. 15, 1887. HETFIELD BROS.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mr. A. W. Haviland of Rock View avenue, has suddenly been called to Europe on business.

Mr. Arthur P. Miller has removed his law offices from over the First National Bank to North avenue, opposite the depot.

Mr. A. W. Haviland, of Rockview avenue, North Plainfield, has been suddenly called to Europe on business. He sailed on Friday last.

Mr. Wm. H. Shotwell has sold his old established and prosperous grocery business in North Plainfield, to Messrs. R. W. Rice & Co., of Kingston, Pa.

Ex-Chief of Police, Chas. W. Dodd, now Warden in the County Jail at Elizabeth, made a flying trip to Plainfield today and spent a few hours with his friends here.

Mr. S. A. Wallace who is connected in business with a brother in Baltimore, has given up his residence in Plainfield and will locate permanently in the former city.

Among the latest arrivals at the Park House is Master Jones, a young son of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Jones. The little one came on Monday, and will be a permanent guest.

Mr. John Haberle, the Somerset street tobacconist, spent Tuesday hunting at Neshanic, on the South Branch railroad. At night he returned with a three-legged rabbit. Animals of this species are said to thrive only in that locality.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Rushmore tendered a reception to their son, Townsend, at their residence on West Seventh street, Tuesday evening, to which a number of his friends were invited. The evening was pleasantly passed in social amusement.

The Plainfield Assaulters Indicted.

Detective Oliver of New Brunswick came over to Plainfield on Tuesday and notified the five young men, Conway, Hogan, Duckworth, Mack and Barry, who were arrested for committing an assault upon Thomas G. Newland, a plumber in the employ of Mr. D. W. Littell of North avenue, near the fair grounds, on Sunday, Nov. 6th, that they must appear in Court at New Brunswick, yesterday morning at ten o'clock, Duckworth was on hand at the appointed hour, with his bondsman, but the remainder of the party drove over from here in a carriage, and were late in arriving at the Court house. They were accompanied by bondsmen, who, it is said, could only qualify in Union county. The Grand Jury brought in a bill of indictment against them, and all were arraigned to plead to the charge, each entering a plea of not guilty. The accused were transferred to the Sheriff and all subsequently furnished bail for their appearance for trial on Wednesday, Dec. 28. Duckworth is employed as a machinist, and is well spoken of by those who know him. It was said that he was invited to join the party for a walk on the Sunday the assault took place. *The Sanitary Plumber*, in its issue of Dec. 6th, devotes considerable space to the matter, and says: "there can be scarcely any doubt as to the inevitable result of the trial. All we can say is that any organized lawless association makes a mistake when they select Mr. D. W. Littell as a victim. He is a man who has the respect of the citizens of Plainfield, and they will encourage him in his determination to protect his men and vindicate the law by fighting this matter through to the bitter end."

—President Cleveland advocates reducing the surplus. We aren't quite as corpulent as the President, but we believe in reducing the surplus too. There are no surplus charges on the holiday wares on exhibition at No. 3 Park avenue.

—John Bloom, aged about 25 years, and employed as brakeman on the Central Railroad of New Jersey, gave his bride of five weeks a farewell kiss at midnight on Sunday and started with his train for a trip to Jersey City. He was struck by an overhead bridge near White House station and died while being conveyed to St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem.

DOWN GOES COAL.

What "The Press" Has Accomplished in Plainfield, to be Tried in Rahway.

We give below further communications regarding the coal question. In justice to the dealers of this city, however, we would quote the statement of one of their number, that "every ton of coal costs us $5.40." Since our issue of Tuesday, the dealers have reduced the retail price from $6.50 to $5.75 per ton. The verbal thanks and communicated congratulations we are receiving every day from the people, would fill these columns.

COAL TO COME DOWN IN RAHWAY.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—I notice in your paper of yesterday, the statement is made that one of the most prominent members of your local coal combination says he has "given an order for coal at a cost of $5.80 per ton at the mines." It goes without saying that either your compositor has made a mistake or the *prominent dealer* "spoke without thinking." The regular prices of the different sizes of coal at the mines are as follows, all in *gross tons* of 2,240 lbs. each:

Egg (furnace)	$2.45
Stove and small stove	2.70
Chestnut (nut)	2.55
Pea (No. 2 chestnut)	1.50

The rate of transportation from the mines to Plainfield is $1.85 per gross ton. So your readers can see what the cost of coal is here in gross tons, to get at the cost per net ton, 2,000 lbs. deduct 11 per cent. It is true the retail price of coal at Rahway is at present (under the yoke of a local combination of Christian gentlemen) $7.25 per ton, instead of $7.50. But I am informed there is likely to be held in that town, a public indignation meeting under the auspices of the Mayor and an organization of benevolent ladies, for the purpose of protesting against the coal dealers extortion. There is a dealer there who attempted to sell coal at a reasonable price but he was threatened by the leader of the combine, that he would be deprived of coal unless he desisted in his efforts to give the poor their meagre supply of coal, at a fair and honest price.

EUREKA.

ANTHRACITE COAL PRODUCTION.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—Following I give you the production of Anthracite coal for the week ending December 10, 1887, and comparatively with the preceding year:

	Week.	Year.
1887, tons	750,169	33,050,202
1886, "	669,407	30,593,179

You will note that the increase for last week, as compared with the corresponding week of last year, is 80,620 tons, and the increase for this year two million four hundred and fifty seven thousand tons. These are the official figures.

CARBON.

New York, Dec. 14, 1887.

The Oratorio Service.

We present below a full programme of the selections from the Oratorio of "Elijah," that will be sung at the praise service in the Crescent Avenue church, Sunday evening. Such a programme of impressive music has seldom been offered upon any occasion whatever, in this city.

FROM FIRST PART OF ORATORIO.

Tenor solo ..... H. R. May.
"If with all your hearts."

Duett, ... Mrs. Myers and Miss Holmes.
"Zion spreadeth her hands."

Double quartette ..... Choir.
"For He shall give."

Bass solo ..... A. J. Gavett.
"Lord, God of Abraham."

Quartette ..... "Cast thy burden"
Mrs. Myers, Miss Holmes and Messrs. May and Gavett.

FROM SECOND PART OF ORATORIO.

Soprano solo ..... Mrs. Myers.
"Hear ye, Israel."

Trio ..... Ladies of choir.
"Lift thine eyes."

Solo ..... Miss Holmes.
"O! rest in the Lord."

Chorus ..... Choir.
"He that shall endure."

Tenor solo ..... H. R. May.
"Then shall the righteous."

Quartette ..... "O! come, every one."
Mrs. Myers, Miss Holmes and Messrs. May and Gavett.

Chorus ..... Choir.
"And then shall your light—"

Of the above selections which are the gems of the Oratorio, the first duett, "Zion Spreadeth Her Hands," is particularly pretty, and the double quartette immediately following displays the perfection of close harmony. The next to the last number on the programme, "O! Come, Every One," is the bright star of all, and the final chorus is grand.

—It is said that Anthony Comstock will next make a raid on the butchers of New York city, for allowing undressed meat to come into market.

—The Four Gospels, illustrated by a blackboard Bible talk, will be presented by the Rev. J. L. Hurlbut at the Y. M. C. A. rooms to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. The Senior Society will be glad to have their friends, the gentlemen, enjoy this treat with them.

North Plainfield Republican Meeting.

The Republican voters of North Plainfield Township met in Spencer's Hall on Somerset street, last evening, for the purpose of perfecting a permanent organization. The attendance was not as large as was expected, owing to the fact that the call was only published in a paper that is scarcely circulated in the Township. Hon. Charles Place, Chairman of the last meeting, called the assemblage to order, and the Secretary of the last meeting, Horace J. Martin, recorded the doings. The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved as read. Chairman Place called for a report from the Committee on Organization, and Mr. Peter A. Emmons, on behalf of the Committee, submitted the following report, which was, upon motion of Mr. I. Brokaw, unanimously adopted.

NORTH PLAINFIELD, Dec. 10, 1887.

Your Committee on Organization herewith submit the following report:

Resolved, That this organization be called the "North Plainfield Republican Club," organized for the purpose of advancing all interests of the Republican party, and that this Club is to have the following officers, namely: President, 1st Vice President, 2d Vice President, Secretary, Asst. Secretary, Treasurer, Executive and Finance Committees. Each committee is to consist of seven members of this Club. All officers are to be elected for the term of one year, and this Club shall be governed by a constitution and by-laws, which this committee ask for an extension of time to report on.

P. A. EMMONS,
ALEX. H. MILNE,
E. H. SPOONER,
WM. D. CRAIG,
D. SNEDIKER.

Mr. Spencer moved to "continue" the committee, at their request, so as to give them an opportunity to draft a constitution and by-laws to govern the club. The motion was recorded in the affirmative. The Chairman said that the next question to consider was whether or not it was expedient to elect officers for the club until after the constitution and by-laws were adopted for them to work under. Mr. Chas. Reed, of the law firm of Clark & Reed of this city, thought it would be advisable to wait for a few days before selecting officers, so as to give the committee an opportunity to report on the constitution and by-laws; he understood that the organization was to be a lasting one, and it should therefore be established on a permanent basis. Mr. I. Brokaw coincided with Mr. Reed, and said he thought no harm could come to the club by waiting for a week, or two weeks, for that matter. Mr. Reed's motion to continue the present organization, and that when the meeting adjourn it be to meet again two weeks from to-night (Thursday), the Committee on Organization to report at that time, prevailed.

The following delegates were elected to represent the club at the National Convention of Republican clubs which convenes in New York city today: Messrs. Chas. Place, E. H. Spooner, I. Brokaw, Chas. Reed, Wm. D. Craig, Alex. Milne. The following were chosen alternates: Messrs. Thos. Rutledge, H. N. Spencer, H. J. Martin, D. Snediker, L. B. Woolston, C. C. Day. Mr. Brokaw suggested that the Chair appoint a committee of five, said committee to select and interview men who are eligible for officers of the club, and report their names at the next meeting. The Chair appointed the following: Messrs. J. H. Cooley, Chas. Reed, F. Whitely, H. McGee and C. C. Day.

The meeting then adjourned.

Why the Fire Tax was Resisted.

We have nowhere seen a clearer statement in small compass of the real object of the fire tax test case brought by Mrs. Carrie B. Taylor, than that contained in one short paragraph on the first page of the first brief submitted by her counsel Craig A. Marsh, Esq. We quote the paragraph below, from a copy of the brief. It presents precisely the grounds afterward adopted by the Court in the official opinion. The paragraph is as follows:

"Prosecutrix has paid State and County and City taxes in full, and insists that having done so she and her Plainfield city property are not subject to taxation for the same year, for any other purpose or by any other power. She prosecutes this suit in the interest of the City of Plainfield, at the request of many of its most influential citizens—the real object being to have it judicially determined that the Plainfield Fire Department, assessing property as it does, under a law not general, but local and special, by a rule not uniform and not according to true value, but according to hazard of destruction by fire; being as is insisted a private corporation, having nothing to do with the inhabitants of its territory as such, but having power to tax its own members only; embracing as it does a part only of each of three political districts, and not constituting a political district itself; and being in other respects repugnant to the constitution of this State, and of the United States, has no lawful power to assess taxes in the City of Plainfield; and that the said city may assess its own fire taxes, and itself provide for the prevention and suppression of fires within the city limits."

Pigeon Popping.

There was quite an attendance of sportsmen on the grounds of the Middlesex Gun Club at Dunellen, yesterday, the regular semi-monthly Club shoot day of the organization. After several interesting sweepstake matches had been indulged in, the event of the day came off—shooting for the Club's gold trophies, which are contested for by classification of shooters. In class A there were eleven contestants, and the appended score shows that Messrs. Miller of Springfield, and Forrest of this city, tied for the trophy by killing seven birds each. Mr. Miller was accorded the privilege of taking the trophy to his home to show his friends, after which it is to be returned to Forrest, with the understanding that in the next contest for the medal, the one making the best score shall be credited with winning it. In class B, Dan Terry and Tee Kay tied on seven birds each. Tee Kay generously conceeded the badge to Mr. Terry. Below are the scores of the day:

1st Event—$2 entrance, 4 birds each.

C. Smith	1	1	1	0
Forrest	2	1	1	1
Dickens	2	2	1	1
S. Smith	1	1	1	2
Clark	2	1	1	1

Ties shot off in next event.

2d Event—$2 entrance, 4 birds each.

C. Smith	0	1	2	2
Forrest	1	1	0	1
Dickens	1	1	1	0
S. Smith	1	2	1	2
Clark	0	1	0	
Seigler	1	1	1	1

Ties shot off in next event.

3d Event—$2 entrance, 4 birds each.

C. Smith	2	1	1	2
Forrest	0	1	0	1
Dickens	1	1	0	1
S. Smith	1	1	1	2
Clark	1	2	1	1
Siegler	1	2	2	1
Manitz	1	2	1	1
Quad	1	2	0	0

Ties shot off in next event.

4th Event—$2 entrance, 4 birds each.

C. Smith	1	2	1	1
Forrest	1	1	2	1
S. Smith	2	1	2	1
Clark	2	2	0	0
Siegler	1	2	1	1
Manitz	1	1	1	1
Quad	2	2	1	0

Ties shot off in next event.

5th Event—$2 entrance, 4 birds each.

C. Smith	1	0	1	1
Forrest	1	1	0	1
S. Smith	1	1	2	1
Clark	2	0	1	1
Siegler	1	1	1	2
Manitz	1	2	1	2
Quad	1	1	1	1
J. D. Voorhees	0	1	2	2

Ties shot off in next event.

6th Event—$3 entrance, 4 birds each.

C. Smith	1	1	1	2
Miller	1	0	1	1
Dickens	2	0	1	0
Forrest	2	2	0	0
Siegler	1	2	1	1
Manitz	0	2	1	1
Quad	1	1	1	1
J. D. Voorhees	1	1	2	2
Conover	1	1	0	1
J. Force	2	0	2	1
D. Terry	1	0	1	1
Tee Kay	2	0	1	0
S. Smith	1	1	0	1
Quimby	1	2	1	1
Creeley	2	1	0	0
Willis	1	1	2	2
Chaffee	1	0	1	0

Ties divided.

7th Event—contest for gold trophy, $3 entrance with $5 additional sweepstakes.

CLASS A.

S. G. Smith	1	1	0	1	1	2	2
Siegler	0	1	0	2	1	2	
C. Smith	1	1	1	1	2	0	1
Manitz	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
Miller	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Conover	2	1	0	1	2	1	2
Dickens	1	2	1	1	0	1	1
Voorhees	1	1	1	0	1	0	1
Forrest	2	1	1	2	2	1	1
J. Force	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
Quimby	0	2	2	1	1	1	1

CLASS B.

D. Terry	1	1	2	1	2	2	1
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Quimby	1	2	2
Miller	1	1	1
Siegler	1	1	0
Willis	1	1	0
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S. Smith (R)	0		

Figure 2 denotes second barrel.

At Music Hall.

The next attraction at Music Hall will be Annie Pixley in Mr. Gunter's very strong play, "The Deacon's Daughter." In it the author has labored with a good subject; the good or bad effect of the theatre. A deacon, who for narrowness and bigotry would have done credit to the earliest of the early Puritans, is contrasted with his daughter, whose pluck, energy and ability win for her an honored place upon the stage, cures the deacon of his rank heresy, and pays off a mortgage on the old gentleman's farm that was slowly but surely warpping his religious views into caricatures.

Giving Itself Away.

In a recent issue we copied from a Newark paper a few lines in relation to the late election in Plainfield. We headed it "As others see us," and enjoyed with our readers a laugh at the mingled ignorance and stupidity displayed in the article. Now the Plainfield *Evening* (?) too simple to know better, says aloud "We wrote that."

COAL ON THE FREE LIST.

RANDALL'S PROPOSED TARIFF BILL STIRS UP THE DEALERS.

What the Effect Would be in America—Coal on the Free List a Direct Stab at the American Laborer.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 15.—The announcement that Representative Sam Randall is busy preparing a tariff bill, and that he is thinking of placing coal on the free list in that bill, has occasioned considerable surprise among local coal dealers. In support of the proposition to take the duty off coal, it is stated that the Canadian duty is reciprocal and would be removed by the putting of coal on the free list of our tariff, that the effect would be to let in about 3,000,000 tons of Nova Scotia coal into the New England states yearly and make a market in the central and western Canadian provinces for several hundred thousand tons of American coal.

This proposal is looked upon with suspicion by the coal men of this section. New Orleans is the greatest market for Pittsburg coal, and it is at this point that the Pittsburg dealers will suffer. Capt. S. S. Brown, of W. H. Brown & Sons, was seen yesterday, and when asked what effect a removal of the tariff on coal would have on Pittsburg dealers, said: "It would affect the local trade very little, if indeed at all, but the injury done to us in the New Orleans market would be very great. Even with the present tariff English vessels come there loaded with Welsh and Cornwall coal as ballast. If the tariff were removed they would bring no other freight. The expense of transportation of coal from England is very little more, if any, than from Pittsburg. From here we have 2,000 miles of boating down an intricate river, full of snags and sand bars. The mining price in England and Wales is much less than here, and if the tariff were removed they could easily bring in their coal and undersell the Pittsburg producers. As it is, there is considerable competition at that place.

"The placing of coal on the free list would be a direct stab at the American laborer. It would drive American coal out of all our seaport towns, a loss that could by no means be balanced by any extra trade we might secure with Northwest Canada. The general effect on the coal market would be to greatly lessen the demand for Pittsburg coal. Although the expense for transportation, the transfer from vessels to docks and from docks to cars, would be so great that there would be no competition in the inland trade, the whole Atlantic seaboard would look to England for its coal supply."

SLAVERY AND STATE RIGHTS.

Efforts to Close the Breach Between the Two Assemblies.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 15.—The committees appointed by the Northern and Southern Assemblies of the Presbyterian church to meet here and confer upon the proposal to unite the two branches of the church, held separate meetings at the Louisville house yesterday. The questions of slavery and state sovereignty, upon which the division occurred, will come up at the joint meetings. The minutes of the general assembly of 1861 and other meetings are already in request, and it may be several days before the discussion closes. It is feared a union may not be effected. One thing, however, points to success—a number of the committeemen are young men. Elders Carter and Primrose are under forty and remember the war as boys. The real work of the conference begins to-day.

Good-Size Mortgages.

ERIE, Pa., Dec. 15.—Two second mortgages against the Western New York and Pennsylvania railroad company were recorded here Tuesday, one for $10,000,000 in favor of the Mercantile trust company, of New York, and the other for $5,000,000 in favor of the Fidelity insurance trust and safety deposit company, of New York. They are to meet a first mortgage to secure a loan of $30,000,000 as from Carl Schurz and J. N. Seligman, trustees, recorded, $15,000,000 here and $15,000,000 in New York state, two months ago and maturing on the 20th and 22d of this month.

Ballot Box Stuffing in Iowa.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 15.—The governor has issued a proclamation for a new election for senator from the Fifteenth district to be held January 17 prox. in the township of Guilford, and the Second and Fourth wards of Albia, Monroe county. The canvass of the last vote showed more votes cast than there were names registered, necessitating a new election. The candidates are: E. R. Cassett, democrat and J. T. Young, republican. Cassett claimed to have been elected by nine majority, while the surplus votes were thirteen.

Probable Reduction of Wages.

EASTON, Penn., Dec. 15.—Owing to the sluggishness of the iron business and the strike in the coal region, which makes coal high and scarce, the Glendon Iron company and the Andover Iron company, at Hibernia, will reduce wages from $1.50 to 1.25 beginning January 1. All the other miners getting more pay will be reduced proportionately. It is reported that the same reduction will be made at Mt. Hope, Teabe and Richards Mines, also at Hurdtown.

The Texas Fever.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 15.—The live stock boards of various states, in session here yesterday, agreed upon the desirability of co-operation among the states to prevent the introduction and spread of Texas fever among cattle, and proposed that congress establish a government laboratory for the development of scientific information upon the subject of contagious diseases.

A Procurer Gets Ten Years.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—Wong Ah Hung the Chinese who was convicted in the United States court yesterday on charge of importing chinese women for immoral purposes, was sentenced to-day to ten years imprisonment in the California state prison at San Quentin and to pay fine of $2,000.

Nexican Coffee.

PITTSBURG, Dec, 15.—Three Mexican coffee growers passed through this city this morning on their way to New York. It was learned that they aim to place a large quantity of this article on the market and to make special arrangements for its delivery.

Many Bushels of Wheat Destroyed.

WARREN, Minn., Dec. 15.—The Warren Manufacturing company's elevator, containing 30,000 bushels of wheat, burned last night. The elevator and contents were valued at $25,000 and were partly insured.

Rev. John Lyon Dead.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 15.—The Rev. John Lyon, pastor of the church of the Redeemer (Universalist), died at his residence here this morning.

THE DISTRICT TAX OF 1861.

A Bill Passed by the Senate to Refund the State's Taxes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A bill has been passed by the senate which appropriates sufficient money to refund to the Statest he states the direct taxes imposed by the act of 1861. But no such bill has been introduced in the house. If there are many more bills of this sort to be passed, the question of the disposition of the surplus will become less important. According to the report of the commissioner of internal revenue, there is still due and unpaid of the $20,000,000 imposed upon the whole United States by the act of August 5, 1861, as shown by the adjustments made in the accounts in the office of the first comptroller, $2,563,967, from the following states and territories: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Utah, Washington.

The commissioner of internal revenue, in his last report, says:

The question whether the United States has a right to apply money due a state as a set-off against the quota of direct taxes apportioned to it, such state not having assumed its quota, was involved in a suit in the court of claims, entitled "The state of Louisiana vs. the United States, No. 15,265," recently decided adversely to the United States, 33 internal revenue record., 190:22 Ct. Cls., —. The supreme court has recently sustained the decision of the court of claims.

Street Car Strike Threatened at Detroit.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 15.—The drivers and conductors of the Detroit City Railway company have been for some time dissatisfied with the rule compelling the men to be on hand ten minutes before time for their respective cars to start, and prescribing that a man two minutes late should be put on as extra. The Executive Board of Knights of Labor took up the matter and requested a conference with the company, which was refused. District Assembly No. 50 heard the grievance of the men last night, and decided to again ask for a conference with the company. Failing to obtain this, they declared a strike to take place before the end of the week. The Detroit City Railway company control all lines in this city with two exceptions, and employ several hundred men.

Postmasters' Convention.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The convention of third and forth class postmasters, about 240 in number, yesterday called at the post-office department and paid their respects to Postmaster-General Vilas and his first assistant, Mr. Stevenson. They afterwards visited the White House and were received by the President. At their session this afternoon they adopted the basis of a bill to be hereafter formulated and presented to congress. Resolutions were adopted looking to the exclusion of illegimate second-class mail matter, heartily endorsing the administration of President Cleveland and expressing appreciation of Postmaster-General Vilas and his first assistant in their efforts to improve the postal service.

Praying for Jack Frost.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 15.—It is feared that St. Paul will be unable to build an ice palace this winter, as the weather up to the present time has been so mild that hardly any ice has formed on the river. Last year the building was well under way at this time of year, and the directors had calculated to begin building as early this season. Yesterday the mercury stood at 34 above, and there were no indications of colder weather in the near future. The carnival directors are considerably worried over the outlook and are sending up silent appeals for frigid weather.

His Face was Smooth.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—Jacob Blenkomyer, a liquor seller on Girard avenue, was before Judge Lennes yesterday charged with selling liquor on Sunday. Horace Gross, while testifying against the prisoner, was approached by the latter's lawyer, who tore a false beard from his face. An exciting scene ensued. Gross said he was a paid agent of the Law and Order society and wore the beard to disguise his identity for fear of personal bodily injury. The saloon keeper was held.

The Bowman Divorce Suit.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The appellate court has affirmed the decission of the lower court, sued for divorce by Ida M. Bowman, his common-law wife. The decision gives the courts here jurisdiction of Mr. Bowman, who is a St. Louis lawyer, and has married another wife. It carries with it alimony at $15 a week and counsel fees for the co-plainant. The hearing of the suit will be had in a short time. Mrs. Bowman charges her husband with infidelity.

The Dude Cowboy Suicides.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 15.—Sands W. Hopkins, who a short time ago created a sensation by making a trip to Europe with a hired pugilist, whose duty it was to whip all who incurred the displeasure of Hopkins committed suicide yesterday morning by taking two ounces of laudanum. The young man was the possessor of a fortune that is variously estimated from $100,000 to $200,000 and had led a most erratic career.

Lord Rosebery's Irish Plea.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Lord Rosebery, speaking at Oldham last night, criticised the speeches in which the dissidents indulged at their recent olympic feasts. He said that the liberal party had not been accustomed to get support from those of wealth and rank, and warned the dissidents that they were pursuing a negative policy that would be unable to make headway against the voice of Ireland.

Sued by His Pastor For Slander.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The village of Rehoboth, Mass., is agitated over a church scandal. The Rev. George H. Tilton, pastor of the Congregational church, has sued Geo H. Goff for slander, placing the damages at $5,000. The suit grows out of charges that the minister was guilty of improper conduct toward Mrs. Goff. The church has exonerated Mr. Tilton from blame.

Way Pleads Not Guilty.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Dec. 15.—Defaulting Secretary A. M. Way, of the Empire loan, pleaded not guilty this morning to two indictments charging him with embezzling $4,000. The trial was set down for Wednesday, Dec. 28. Way's bail was increased to $8,000, but failing to find bondsmen he was remanded to the jail.

Quiet in Indian Territory.

TAHLEQUAH, I. T., Dec. 15.—Chief Mayes adjourned the special session of the council until next Monday. All of the members have gone home and there is no further indication of conflict. An Indian inspector is on the way from Washington to examine the situation and report as to who is entitled to the office claimed by both parties.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 9, 1887.

Atkinson, Miss M A	Mullins, Miss Annie (2)
Brown, Harry	Peterson, Mrs Josie
Buckler James	Randolph, Mrs Jessie
Combes, Mrs H G	Rionce, Mrs Jane
Drake, A M	Robson, Miss Lucy
Euler, Mr F	Shultice, Mr Wm
Flagg, Miss Emily L	Scott, Mrs M J A
Felker, Miss Rebecca	Stansberry, Mrs Maria
Gardner, Peter	Scribner, Mrs Katie
Herenden, Mrs Ida (2)	Taylor, Jennie
Jackson, Miss Alice B	Thompson, Miss M H
Lane, Mrs Annie	Thompson, Miss May
McFarhie, L D	Wood, Geo M
Morris, Miss	Wilson, Mr K R
Martin, Miss Katie	Ward, Miss Maggie

persons calling for above please say advertised.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

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NEW YORK MAILS.

CLOSE—8.00 and 10.00 a. m.; 2.00 and 5.30 p. m.
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CLOSE—7.30 a. m. and 4.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—8.50 a. m. and 6.30 p. m.

SUNDAY MAILS.

Arrive at 5.10 a. m. Office open from 9.30 a. m. to 10.30 a. m. Mail closes at 7 p. m.

Mail for Warrenville closes Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 m.

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Owners of lock-boxes coming without their keys will please apply for their mail at the Sale Delivery Windows.

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W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

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Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

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2-14-tf

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During the play Miss Pixley will introduce the following sparkling songs and medleys: "That Little Knot of Blue," "The Pixley Medley," "I'll Meet You D'ar," "The Language of Love," "The Wash-Tub Song," "The Drinking Song," Jammo," etc. Tickets on sale at Field & Randolph's and J. G. Miller's Drug Stores, Friday, Dec. 16th. Prices as usual. 12-13-td

GRAND FAIR!

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, will hold a *FAIR* and *FESTIVAL* in the *NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL HALL*, on

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Misses New Markets, $6.00, formerly $9.00.

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Silk Handkerchiefs from 10c. up.

I. H. BOEHM,

7 W. Front St.

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FEDERATION OF LABOR

THE NEW YORK SHOEMAKERS DENIED ADMISSION.

A Bitter Feeling Against the Knights of Labor—Milwaukee Brewers Denounced Opposing the Treaty With Russia.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—The principal subject discussed by the American Federation of Labor yesterday was the application of the shoemakers' union of New York for admission to that body. After Tuesday's disposition of the Washington representatives it was expected by the New Yorkers that their request would be granted, but to their surprise a charter was denied them.

It was understood that the principal objection raised against them was their refusal to obey the order of their executive body when ordered out on strike. The question was disposed of in executive session, and the delegates acknowledge that while it lasted the debate was exceedingly warm. There is no doubt that the men were barred out on general principles, many of the delegates being of the opinion that it would be unwise to countenance such flagrant violation of the order of a superior body, and if it were condoned in this case there might come a time when the federation would suffer from similar acts.

There is a bitter feeling against the knights of labor, and it crops out every now and then in debate. P. J. McGuire, who is one of the strongest men intellectually in the body, has in several speeches intimated that he cared little or nothing for the rival organization. He is the general secretary of the order and hails from Philadelphia. A few of the delegates who are also knights of labor deprecate this hostile feeling, and yesterday tried to bridge the chasm. They wanted to reconsider the action of the convention taken yesterday relative to the Washington delegates. Before a motion to that effect could be offered, however, a resolution was adopted amending the rules so that it required a two-third vote to reconsider any measure. This settles the Washington branch of the federation. The officers' reports were referred to appropriate committees. A charter was granted to the brotherhood of painters and decorators of America.

A letter was read from Henry Broadhurst, chairman of the trades unions' parliamentary committee, of England, asking the federation to send a representative to the international convention to be held in London next year, and one from the Russian-American National league at New York, asking the federation to use its influence to prevent the passage by congress of an extradition treaty with Russia.

The rules were suspended long enough to permit Mr. W. R. Cremer, a member of the trades unions' parliamentary committee, of England, to make a short address on the benefits to be derived by the working classes from arbitration.

Numerous resolutions were introduced covering various subjects, such as official indorsement of union labels, strengthening local and central labor unions, etc. One that caused a lengthy and warm debate was a proposition to recommend a boycott on all beer brewed in Milwaukee until the existing difference between the brewers of that city and their employes shall have been satisfactorily adjusted. The United States brewers' association was denounced in strong language as the most powerful antagonist that organized labor has to contend with. Several bitter attacks were made on the boss brewers of St. Louis and New York for their alleged unjust treatment of employes and their reported arbitrary actions towards saloonkeepers. Some opposition to the boycott method of fighting was developed, and the more conservative element succeeded in having the resolution referred to the executive council for consideration. The convention adjourned until to-day.

A New Bill for Immigration.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Senator Reagan and Representative Clardy, Mr. Reagan's probable successor as chairman of the commerce committee of the house, will introduce into their respective houses simultaneously a bill which, although general in its provisions, is specially designed to correct the existing abuses in the care of immigrants at Castle Garden. It provides for the appointment by the secretary of the treasury of a number of additional inspectors, to be designated inspectors of immigration; gives power to the secretary of the treasury to require bonds from all the steamship companies landing immigrants on our shores that they will not bring paupers, or insane persons, or immigrants whose importation is now forbidden by law, and that the immigrants shall not come from unhealthy ports; and generally clothes the secretary of the treasury with the broadest powers over immigrants and the subject of immigration. The bill provides for different arrangements from those which now exist under contracts with the state board for the care of immigrants.

Another Howl From Chicago Anarchists.

CHICAGO, Dec 15. In yesterday's *Arbeiter Zeitung*, an article appeared urging anarchists to openly avow their principles and stand up for them on all occasions, "When anybody asks you what the anarchists want, tell him 'Anything and everything that is beautiful;' and if that is not enough tell him they want to unite the workingmen and annihilate the capitalists." Anarchism is held to be such a beautiful thing that the "thick-headed citizens" can not comprehend it, and then the article explains that an anarchist's sentiments "lead him to fight the present society, because this society oppresses him in every shape and manner, and it is a joy for him to hate all who oppose him." The article continues in this vein throughout.

A Railroad to Cost $5,000,000.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.—The papers incorporating the Chicago, Hannibal & Springfield railroad company were filed yesterday in the office of the secretary of state. The capital stock is $5,000,000 and the length 250 miles. The road runs through the counties of Marion, Rails, Audrian, Roone, Cooper, Moniteau, Morgan, Camden, Dallas, Polk and Greene. The incorporators are Roland C. Nickerson, R. D. Fowler, E. F. House, Joseph Lathrop, Roscoe H. Fudge, and John L. Lathrop, all of Chicago.

Diphtheria Epidemic in Catlin, Ill.

CANTON, Ill., Dec. 15.—Diphtheria is now raging in this county. The schools at this place will be closed to-day until January 1. Over one hundred deaths from this disease were reported in this county during the last week.

Powderly Better.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 15.—Master Workman Powderly is improving. Last night he was resting easily and his family and friends are greatly rejoiced at the prospect of his speedy recovery.

THE CROWN PRINCE

A NEW GROWTH DEVELOPING IN HIS THROAT.

Rossa's Disciples in America Not Formidable--France's New Government--Boulanger Sticks to His Post.

VIENNA, Dec. 15.—Despatches received here report that the condition of the German Crown Prince's throat has suddenly become worse, and that a special medical consultation has been called at San Remo. This, the report says, explains Dr. Mackenzie' hurried departure from England.

SAN REMO, Dec. 15.—The doctors in examining the Crown Prince last evening discovered symptoms of a fresh growth and an increase in the swelling. A special consultation of medical experts was determined upon. Dr. Mackenzie will attend at the request of the Crown Prince.

The Grand Duke of Baden and the Duke of Edinburgh are expected here shortly. Rain prevented the Crown Prince from taking a walk to-day.

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—The returning public hope concerning the Crown Prince has been shattered. Reliable advices, say that the recent apparently favorable symptoms were fallacious and that a new swelling is growing. Dr Hovell and Dr. Bergmann are in attendance for co-operation in case of tracheotomy. It is reported that the doctors do not anticipate any immediate necessity for an operation.

Prince and Princess William have been notified to be in readiness for a sudden call to San Remo. Queen Victoria begged Dr. Mackenzie to inform her of any sudden change in the Crown Prince's condition.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Dr. Mackenzie has started for San Remo, where he will make another examination of the German Crown Prince's condition.

A despatch from San Remo says that the Crown Prince's symptoms are alarming. The tumor has spread rapidly, with deplorable results.

THE TIME'S REVELATIONS.

Davitt Says Rossa's Disciples in America Are Not Formidable.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Michael Davitt, in an interview to-day, said: "The *Times's* revelations were concocted either by the anti-Irish scare department or somebody in New York ambitious to obtain a sensational advertisement. In either case such a scare at the present time, when two men, innocent or guilty, await trial in London for alleged connection with a dynamite conspiracy, is most cowardly. I predict that when New York interviewers visit the rooms in Chambers street to-day and give their impressions to-morrow about the place and its staff of clerks, the fund of two million pounds will shrink indefinitely nearer nothing than Falstaff's men in buckram. There is not a journalist, detective, government official or public man in New York or any other American city who does not know that Rossa's whole party cannot command as many farthings as the *Times* endows them with pounds.

"The *Times* never admits that the dynamiters repudiated the Parnellites in language equally as strong and elegant as that of the *Times* itself. The *Times's* daily denunciation of Gladstone and his policy might be inspired by one of Rossa's writings, only the London edition of the New York anti-Parnellite organ has as yet not hinted at my assassination, as Rossa's paper did in November, 1886, for my attacking the violent policy at Chicago. Nine hundred and ninety-nine out of every thousand Irishmen support Parnell, and oppose criminal violence. Nothing is more calculated to recruit the lessening ranks of the dynamiters than the writings of a paper like the *Times*, and the anti-constitutional acts of the government which such papers encourage. If a plot really exists it is the natural outcome of these actions."

France's New Government.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The radical and extremist groups in the chamber of deputies at a meeting to-day decided to oppose a vote of the provisional budget asked for by Prime Minister Tirard, provided it was not made a cabinet question. The right will interpellate the government on the reassembling of the chambers in regard to the revolutionary plotting in the Paris municipal council during the presidential crisis. At the meeting of radicals and extremists yesterday, it was decided to withhold their votes from any measure implying confidence in the ministry.

Boulanger Holds on Fast.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 15.—The *Novoe Vremya* publishes in its Paris correspondence a letter from Gen. Boulanger to M. Sasint, a member of the chamber of deputies declining the latter's offer to surrender his seat in Gen. Boulanger's favor. The general writes that he considers it a patriotic duty to adhere to his military position, in view of the fact that he expects a war, and concludes by declaring that France has a greater need of generals than of deputies.

Balfour Hissed.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Mr. Balfour, chief secretary for Ireland, addressed an immense assemblage in free trade hall at Manchester last night. The prolonged cheering failed to drown the hissing from another portion of the audience. The preliminary speaking proceeded amid great disorder. A number of fights took place, and many persons were ejected from the hall. The malcontent element was finally subdued.

Fears for the K. of L. Organization.

BUFFALO, Dec. 15.—The illness of General Master Workman Powderly causes much anxiety in Knight of Labor circles in this city. Prominent knights profess to believe that his enemies will seize upon the opportunity to make further inroads upon his position and undermine him. There is a feeling of uneasiness among union men that the internal troubles in the ranks of the order may end in its disruption, and the trades unions are not in the least backward in expressing the opinion that the knights have reached the pinnacle of greatness and that the order is rapidly retrograding.

The Strike at Havana.

HAVANA, Dec. 15.—The cigar factories were re-opened for work yesterday, but the strike is not yet ended. At the last meeting the cigar choosers resolved not to work in factories where more than one apprentice is employed, and accordingly the choosers of five factories yesterday refused to work.

He Preferred Death.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 15.—Oliver P. Cardwell, a deserter from the army, fell near the state house yesterday afternoon, and died soon after from the effects of a dose of strychnine. He believed that officers were in pursuit and said he preferred death rather than capture and return to the army.

MOONSHINE MAGNATES.

Capture of Georgia Stills That Have Yielded 10,000 Gallons.

ATLANTA, Dec. 15.—The largest seizure of illicit distilleries ever made in Georgia occurred last Monday night. Deputies at Alexander and Stevens visited a place near Jaspar and hid themselves in the woods until shortly before daybreak, when they saw several men go down into a hole in the middle of a plantation. The officers followed and came upon a gang of moonshiners in the act of distilling whiskey. The still was running in a cave some 35 feet square. Water was conveyed a distance of 200 yards in hollow logs.

There were four stills within a radius of a mile, all under ground in the same way. The Petit brothers, notorious moonshiners, were the owners of the stills. The men employed made good their escape.

These stills have been running five years, in which time they must have made 10,000 gallons of whiskey. A large quantity of beer was captured, but only a small quantity of whiskey, owing to the fact that most of the whiskey had been taken away the day before.

It is believed that most of this illicit product found a market in Atlanta.

A Sad Family Wreck.

WELLSVILLE, O., Dec 15.—Diphtheria is *epidemic here, and, after a post mortem* examination on one of the victims, Dr. C. N. Cole took a portion of the diseased membrane of the throat to his home for microscopic investigation. His research was conducted with the utmost carelessness, even some of his children being allowed to view the germs. Two died Monday, and yesterday the doctor himself succumbed to the disease, while five remaining children are at the point of death. To add to the misery of the situation, some time ago Cole became insanely jealous of his wife, an estimable woman, and finally drove her from home. She sought refuge in Pittsburg, and is entirely ignorant of her loss. An effort is being made to find her and bring her back. The authorities are caring for the remaining children.

Dakota Wants to be Admitted.

ABERDEEN, Dak., Dec. 15.—Many of the delegates to the Aberdeen convention, which assembles here to-day for the purpose of memorializing Congress for the admission of the territory as a state, are already in. At least 500 delegates from all Dakota will be present, with a large representation of Democrats. This movement grew out of the practical defeat of divisionists at the late election, when they received 3,000 majority in a vote of 60,000. The memorial proposed will be the first application by the whole territory for admission, and the general opinion is that it will result in an enabling act at the present session. The convention meets to-day at noon in the opera house.

The Interstate Grange in Secret Session.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 15.—The interstate grange began its four days' secret session yesterday in the interest of the agriculturists. A resolution was adopted condemning as false statesmanship the proposition for the removal of the tax on tobacco for the diminution of the treasury surplus, and demanding that cheap sugar should be provided for instead of cheap tobacco. The interstate commerce law was indorsed, and the grange claimed the credit of first proposing it.

Defended Her Good Name.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Dec. 15.—A sensational cowhiding affair took place yesterday at Edinburgh, sixteen miles south of here, in which Dr. Bland, a prominent physician, was the victim. A lady inflicted the punishment, and was Mrs. Hyatt, wife of one of the employes on the Edinburgh *Courier*. Mrs. Hyatt heard that the doctor had made slanderous remarks about her, and she lay in wait for him on his return from dinner, and gave him a terrible whipping.

Burned to Death.

ANSONIA, Conn., Dec. 15.—Miss Julia Ann Tibballs, aged seventy-seven, of Milford, was found this morning by a neighbor named Osborne lying acros her kitchn stove. She was badly burned. She lived alone.

CONDENSED TELEGRAHS.

The emperor presided at another military conference held in Vienna Wednesday.

Searle, Vanneman and Co., of Philadelphia made an assignment yesterday. Liabilities $265,000.

King Kalakaua's salary has been materially reduced by the legislature, and he threatens to resign.

Mrs. Sibley was found starving to death in a shanty in the outskirts of Kansas City. Her 6-weeks-old babe lay dead beside her.

The German reichstag has rejected the proposal to raise the tax on wheat and rye to six marks but has made the duty five marks.

Edmond Literaty, the member of the Hungarian parliament who was wounded in a duel with his brother-in-law has died from his injuries.

The American club in London gave a banquet last night to United States Minister Phelps. Many American residents were present.

Edward L. Harper did not receive his prison garb Wednesday as there was none in stock large enough for him, and a suit will have to be made.

The snow storm that prevailed over El Paso, Tex., last Sunday penetrated to the South into Mexico to a greater distance than, perhaps, ever before known.

The governor of Iowa has ordered a new election in the fifteenth state senatorial district. At the last election more votes were cast than there were names registered.

Harris Goldstein, Isaac Wolf and Adolf Silverstein, the latter a New York detective, have been convicted of smuggling tobacco into Liverpool inside of cotton bales, and fined $8,000.

Carlos Vetter Rivas, who was arrested a few days before the hanging of the anarchists while hanging around the East Chicago avenue station, has entered suit against the city of Chicago for $50,000.

Twenty of the richest citizens of the City of Mexico were fined for having placed small altars with lighted candles on the balconies of their houses on the occasion of the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Montreal commercial circles are excited over the report that hereafter the ocean mails are to be landed at Rimouski, to save time running up the river. The present facilities for carriage of freight would thus be lost to Montreal.

The editor of the *Monitor Republicano* has been imprisoned by the government of Mexico for reproducing in his paper an article from a New Orleans paper reflecting on the social status of the present Mexican rulers.

Joseph R. Libby's store, the largest dry goods establishment in Bangor, Me., is being boycotted by the Roman Catholics for the prominent part Mr. Libby took in support of the Rev. John D. Fulton, who recently lectured there against Catholicism.

Miss Julia Moorehouse, who left her home in Detroit a year ago and became an actress, was recognized at the Standard theatre, Chicago, by her brother. He finally prevailed upon her to give up the stage and return home with him. The family had spent $4,000 searching for her.

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THE KEELY MOTOR AGAIN.

Great Expectations Promised at a Meeting of Motor Stockholders.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—There was a well attended meeting of the stockholders of the Keely motor company at Eighth and Walnut streets yesterday afternoon. Mr. Keely's report stated that his later experiments had brought forth significant results. He could not explain just now what they were. In his late experiments he had struck a new lead, he said, which was more significant than any he had heretofore derived ... It might require six months to bring his new experiments to a successful result.

The report of the board of directors was read by Secretary Schellerwell. It says: Your directors are now more than ever satisfied that the enterprise in which you are interested, and to cover with the contracts between the company and Mr. Keely were entered into, is absolutely and legitimately based upon the creation and application of an entirely new motive power which has been discovered by Mr. Keely and fully demonstrated by him. Owing to the great and unexpected difficulties met with by Mr. Keely in his prosecution of his work, he has underestimated in many instances the probable consumption of time and has deceived and has led others into a belief of the prompt completion of his work, which belief has been erroneous, as events have unfortunately proved, and which has resulted in much distress and disappointment, but he is now within sight of the ultimate result he has striven to obtain.

The treasurer's report said that during the five years' existence of the company 8,000 shares of stock had been disposed of, with receipts of almost $14,000. The expenses for that time were $26,343.83, of which $7,736.93, was a loan to Mr. Keely.

A long discussion ensued as to the best *method of raising some money to supply a* deficiency and to meet the necessary expenses of maintaining an office. This was finally settled at $100 a month. General Bahinger of New York, promising to raise the amount.

Miss Fargo Has a Second Suit on Hand.

BUFFALO, Dec 15.—Miss Georgia F. Fargo, the daughter of the late William G. Fargo, founder of the Wells-Fargo express company, has filed objections in the surrogate's court to the accounting of the executors of her father's will covering the last two years. Miss Fargo is also suing the executors in the New York courts for $36,000. The attorneys of both parties have agreed to take James C. Fargo's testimony at his own home, and the Erie county surrogate's court is to be moved to New York for that purpose. Surrogate Stern accompanied by his stenographer, left for New York last night, and will open court at 65 Broadway to-day. James C. Beecher, guardian of the "Fargo twins," the infant heirs, and John G. Milburn, the law partner of Franklin D. Locke, one of the executors, also went along.

Pennsylvania Railroad Litigation.

HARRISBURG, Dec 15.—The litigation over the control of the South Pennsylvania and Beech Creek railroads, growing out of the deal between the Pennsylvania railroad company and William H. Vanderbilt, and the subsequent intervention by the commonwealth to prevent the transfer, promises soon to come up again for a hearing in the courts. The Vanderbilt interest in the control of the Beech Creek railroad, represented by his widow and four sons, and now opposed to the claim of the Pennslynvania railroad, has already filed its answer to the bill of the Northern Central railroad company, the complainants, acting for the Pennsylvania. The answer of the South Pennsylvania will be filed soon, having been delayed by the difficulty in obtaining the necessary signatures.

Killed by His Tenant.

WESTON, Ill, Dec. 15.—A. Stephens, a wealthy farmer, was shot and mortally wounded yesterday by David Cramer, one of his tenants. Cramer met Stephens in a cornfield, levelled a shotgun at him, and ordered him to hold up his hands. Stephens grasped the weapon, and in the struggle it was discharged. Cramer then produced a revolver and fired three times at Stephens, one ball lodging in his neck. Cramer demanded $100 from Stephens and received $87. A farm hand helped Stephens to his house and gave the alarm. Cramer was arrested and taken to Bloomington for safekeeping.

A Jealous Lawyer Shoots Himself.

ERIE, Pa., Dec 15.—James Bunce, a farmer living at Miller's Station, visited his sweetheart, Miss Lydia Patterson, last night, and found another young man in her company. He stepped out of the parlor to the porch and blew his brains out. Miss Patterson rushed out, raised him up and saw he was dead. She then ran into the house and made a desperate attempt to cut her throat with a carving knife, injuring herself severely before she was finally disarmed.

Illness of Mrs. Cleveland's Cousin.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Frances Hall Folsom is dangerously ill with typhoid fever at the residence of her step-daughter on North Ann street. Her physicians say she cannot recover. Mr. Folsom is now in Beaufort, S. C., where he is employed at a large chemical works. His sister, Miss Sara Folsom, says that she and her father are cousins of Mrs. Grover Cleveland, their fathers having been brothers.

Sporting News.

The report that Jay-Eye-See was broken down turns out to be incorrect. His owner thinks he will be a better horse next year than ever.

President Beach and Pennypacker of the Philadelphia and Athletic baseball clubs stated last night that they would continue to charge the 25-cent admission fee to games on their respective grounds. Neither will raise the figures to 50 cents unless compelled to do so by the other.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Passaic county agricultural society, held at 406 Jay street, Brooklyn, it was resolved that Sig. Cohen, Jockey Martin Bergen, who rode the mare change in the fourth race on Monday, and L. Block, bookmaker, be ruled off the grounds of the association.

The fact that only one tout has been killed on a New York race track this season speaks well for the forbearance of their patrons. Not one in twenty of these parasites of the turf has a bit of information about the horses that is of the least possible value, and their "tips" have been the means of causing poor deluded women and men to almost pauperize themselves in betting on the "air tights," "sure things," and "cinches" that had no existence except in the imagination of the idle, rascally touts.

Patsy O'Leary, who really defeated Tommy Warren when they fought at Louisville but was robbed out of his victory, has challenged Ike Weir, the Belfast Spider, Warren's latest conqueror, to fight him to a finish, London ring rules, for $2,000 a side and the featherweight championship of America, within four weeks and within 100 miles of Minneapolis, only fifty persons on a side to be present, and has put up $1,000 as a forfeit. The Spider will probably accept.

WET-NURSES TO ORDER.

A Business Which Recalls the Experience of Baby Paul Dombey.

On West Forty-second street is a modest little establishment kept by a Swiss and his wife, says the New York *Evening Sun*. The man is about thirty-three years old, of gentlemanly demeanor, and always plainly but neatly dressed. His wife, who appears to be about six years younger than he, is a prepossessing woman of full figure and bland manners. The business conducted by these people is done in two rooms. The main or front room is furnished something like a sitting-room and is the reception-room for visitors. The second and rear room is used for examinations. The business conducted here is the supplying of wet nurses.

"The supplying of wet nurses or foster *mothers for infants*," said the proprietor, "will become a mighty big industry in this country. Society women nowadays, and, in fact, always, have objected to the duties of maternity. Many of them dislike to raise children on the bottle, and children often have a strong and unconquerable objection to it themselves. Now we avoid all difficulties and supply women morally and physically healthy to mothers who object to nursing their own infants."

"How do you get them?" asked the reporter.

"We have agents who visit the villages and farms near the city and the hospitals. We take none but the healthiest women and guarantee their character. A number of the most reputable physicians in *the city have indorsed our work*."

"How many of these women do you ordinarily have on hand?"

"Usually about a dozen. You have no idea of how we have increased the volume of our business since we started here a little over a year ago. If the mother of an infant is unable to nurse it, or refuses to do so for fear of missing social entertainments, she gets her husband to look around for a substitute. Of course, the bottle is used a great deal, but babies won't always take the bottle. A strong, healthy human substitute is the best. Instead of advertising through the newspapers and getting a woman whose connections, life or antecedents are bad, thus endangering the moral character of the child, he comes to us, who are responsible for the nurses we supply. He is accompanied by the family physician. The nurses are brought out, and after looking them over the father or the doctor selects one. She is then taken into the other room and thoroughly examined by the doctor as to her health and general physical condition, and samples of her milk are taken to be analyzed. If every thing is satisfactory she is selected."

"How do you get your pay?"

"Both parties pay us. We get a fee from the people needing a nurse, and she pays us a commission on her wages."

"How are these nurses procured? Do their own children die or do they abandon them?"

"Sometimes their children die; but many of them are poor country women whose husband or family has a cow, upon the milk of which her own child is fed, while she comes to the city to make good wages by nursing some other woman's child. She can make more money in nine months or so than her husband and the *entire family could earn in two years.* If they have all the qualifications demanded by the parents of the child to be nursed, and the people are rich, they will pay high prices. It is not at all unusual for these women to get forty and fifty dollars a month, board included, and handsome presents."

"Where did this business originate?"

"I am not sure about the locality of its origin, but it has existed and flourished in Paris for years. We brought it from there. My wife's first child died soon after its birth, and she became a wet nurse through one of these bureaus which are so plentiful in all the big cities of France."

HE TOLD EVERY THING.

How Thurlow Weed Strengthened a Treacherous Memory.

"When a young man," said Mr. Weed to a writer in *Dress*, "I had to adopt a regular method for strengthening my memory, and I hit on one that was very effective. I got married in 1818, when I was working in Albany as a journeyman printer. In a few months I went into business, establishing a newspaper for myself, and some of my friends thought I would succeed in politics, probably because I impressed my views strongly upon those about me. But I saw at once that I had a fatal weakness which I thought would prevent it. My memory was a sieve; I could remember nothing. Dates, names, appointments, faces, every thing escaped me. I said to my wife: 'Catherine, I shall never make a successful politician, for I can not remember, and that is a prime necessity of politicians. A politician who sees a man once should remember him forever.' My wife told me I must train my memory. So when I came home that night I sat down alone, and spent fifteen minutes trying silently to recall with accuracy the principal events of the day. I could remember but little at first; now I remember that I could not then recall what I had for breakfast.

"After a few days' practice I found I could recall more. Events came back to me more minutely, more accurately, and more vividly than at first. After a fortnight or so of this, Catherine said: 'Why don't you relate to me the events of the day, instead of recalling them to yourself? It would be interesting, and my interest in it would be a stimulus to you.' Having great respect for my wife's opinion, I began a habit of oral confession, as it were, which was continued for about fifty years. Every night, the last thing before retiring, I told her every thing I could remember that had happened to me, or about me, during the day. I generally recalled the very dishes I had had for breakfast, dinner and tea; the people I had seen and what they said; the editorials I had written for my paper, giving her brief abstracts of them; I mentioned all the letters I had sent and received, and the very language used, as nearly as possible; when I had walked or ridden I told her every thing that had come within my observation. I found I could say my lessons better and better every year, and, instead of the practice becoming irksome, it became a pleasure to go over again the events of the day. I am indebted to this discipline for a memory of somewhat unusual tenacity, and I recommend the practice to all who wish to store up facts, or expect to have much to do with influencing men."

A Man with a Prejudice.

There are still living a few obstinate old gentlemen who can not endure the sight of a man with a beard. One of these lives in London, a city where the razor is held in general esteem. One of his clerks asked him if he had any objection to his wearing a beard. "Not in the least," replied this curious antique, "provided you don't do it in office hours."

New and Practical Improvements in Mechanism.

The Electrical Typewriter—Calcareous Formations in Plants—Continuous Tin Plates—A Vegetable Soap—Miscellaneous Discoveries.

A correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun* thus describes the electric typewriter, which promises to rival to some extent the telephone. The instrument in appearance somewhat resembles an ordinary mechanical typewriter. It has a key-board, and the types are placed on steel bars, which play upon a common center, as in the case with the typewriter. The motive power used is electricty, by means of which evenness of action is acquired. No matter how heavily or how lightly the keys are struck, the impression on the paper is the same. A remarkable feature of the invention used as a typewriter is that the carriage moves automatically both forward and backward. When the end of the line is reached the carriage returns to the starting point without the aid of the operator, and the paper bar moves one notch, so that all that is required of the operator is to depress the keys. The most important field for the new invention is said to be in connection with the telegraph. It is said at the Patent Office that the instrument can be used both as a transmitter and receiver of intelligence over a single wire, no matter how great the distance may be. The receiving instrument does not require the attendance of an operator, but prints the dispatch automatically. The instruments at both ends of the line print the dispatch sent, and so a safeguard against mistakes is provided. It is claimed that the electric typewriter will be valuable as a local aid to business, and offers many advantages over the telephone. One advantage claimed for it is that no matter whether a person called up is at his place of business or not, the message can be printed through the medium of his typewriter, and will be there for perusal on his return. The dispatches printed are in letter form and not an endless tape. The instrument, which has been christened the dynamograph, is considered by patent office officials to be one of the greatest inventions upon which patents have been issued. The electricians do not stint their praise, and are positive that the machine will greatly simplify business intercommunication.

It is a singular and as yet unexplained fact that in certain species of vegetable growth there are found a variety of stones supposed to be formed and deposited in their tissues from the silicious and calcareous juices circulating in their organisms. Thus, in the bamboo a round stone is found at the joints of the cane called "tabasheer." Another curiosity of the sort is the "cocoanut stone," found in the endosperm of the cocoanut of Java and other East Indian islands. Dr. Kimmins describes it as a pure carbonate of lime. It is sometimes round, sometimes pear shaped, while the appearance is that of white pearl without much luster. Some of the stones are as large as oberries and as hard as feldspar or opal. They are very rare, and are regarded as precious stones by the Orientals and charmes against disease or evil spirits by the natives. Stones of this kind are sometimes found in the pomegranate and other East Indian fruits. Apatite has also been discovered in the midst of teak wood.

A patent has been recently granted to Mr. Wm. H. Brown, of Jersey City, for a novel process of manufacturing continuous tin plates. The plates in question are made of steel, and the process consists in producing a sheet of steel of any continuous length and of required width by rolling the metal hot and afterwards rolling it cold until a proper thickness and perfectly smooth surface is obtained. Next the surface of the sheet is scoured, and then afterwards passed through a bath of moulten tin, thus receiving its coating. Finally the sheet is subjected to a rolling operation under heavy pressure between highly polished rolls, by which the tin and steel are condensed and consolidated together and the surface hardened and polished. The inventor states that by this method the tin will be found to be so hardened upon and incorporated with the steel as to produce a tin plate which is superior in most respects to any tin plate wherever produced.

In the valleys of California grows a tall, slender-stemmed liliaceous plant, with purple and white flowers, which played an important part in the economy of the Spanish population, and is still more or less used by the country people. It is the well-known amole, or soap plant. It rises from a subterranean bulb, which is egg-shaped in form, two or three inches in diameter, and enveloped in a thick coating of black, matted, hair-like fibers. This bulb has the detergent properties of soap, cleaning the hands or clothing quite as well and much more pleasantly than the coarser kinds of soap.

Astronomer Henry M. Parkhurst says he has recently discovered "a woman in the moon," and has named her Selene. Certainly the diagram of markings on the moon, which he claims to have seen, includes a striking suggestion of a woman's face and bust.

There have recently been discovered in the high Alps, near the summit of the great St. Bernard, five large granite altars and a number of other relics of the stone age, such as axes, knives, etc., used in pagan epochs for sacrifices. Swiss writers emphasize the historical importance of this discovery, in that it is proof that Mt. St. Bernard was a place of sacrifice in pagan times, and also that as far back as the age of stone the Canton Vilais was inhabited by human beings.

Prof. Thomas Carnelly and a Mrs. Holdam, of a college at Dundee, have been investigating sewer air, and report that it averages as pure, so far as disease germs are concerned, as the air in ordinary houses.

A Valuable Gold Coin.

Carl Scheben, of Kansas City, has a coin said to be very valuable. It is one of seventeen gold pieces coined in the mint at San Francisco in 1879. For some unexplained reason the dies were destroyed after these coins were made. It is a curious piece of United States money, of the face value of $4. One side bears the head of the Goddess of Liberty, the date 1879, and around the rim there are thirteen stars with the following figures and letters between them: "6, G, 3, S, 7, C, 7, G, R, A, M, S." On the reverse side is a five-point star in the center, underneath which is the word "Met." In a circle outside the stars are the inscriptions: "E Pluribus Unum" and "Deo Est Gloria." There is still another circle outside this inscription, bearing the words: "United States of America. Four Do'."

CATCHING COUNTERFEITERS.

An Interesting Yarn Spun by an Old Government Detective.

I was a night telegraph operator, and in the summer of '72, feeling much depressed in spirits and badly in need of rest, I decided to tear myself away from the confusion and turmoil of city life and seek some quiet, secluded nook where I might do nothing but sleep and dream for two weeks at least, writes an old detective in the Chicago *Times*. But where could I go? A happy thought struck me, in looking over some old letters, to visit my old friend Will Wilmington, whom I had not seen for years, and whose shingle of "M. D." I knew to be swinging in the balmy breezes of Mississippi. A hastily-written letter brought the following reply by telegram a few days later:

NATCHEZ, July 12.—Come at one. Daisy and I need you. WILL.

"Who the deuce is Daisy, and what do they need me for?" I mentally ejaculated. I could not imagine for the life of me what the queer message really meant. I conjured all sorts of dire disasters and ran over in my mind the names of all females I had ever heard him mention. Could Daisy be his wife, and had any trouble befallen the couple? But no; if he had embarked upon the uncertain sea of matrimony I would have known it.

All day long on the train that message haunted me—"Daisy and I need you." I was bothered by all kinds of queer, fantastic dreams, and when the train pulled in at the depot a haggard-looking individual alighted therefrom, who looked as though he had been on a protracted spree. The next instant I was in the arms of my friend, and a second later in a carriage rolling swiftly away, and I scarcely had time to collect my sense. The handsome features of my friend had woefully changed, but I attributed it all to time's cruel ravages, and so remarked. He smiled a faint, far-away smile and said nothing. He was not the same old Will I had known, and when the first greetings were over I fired question after question at him. "Who's Daisy? In Heaven's name what's the matter with you? Why do you need me?" etc. All he said was "Wait." We pulled up at his office, and I was soon seated at a steaming hot supper. After that we drew our chairs closely together, and from his earnest expression I knew that his secret was forthcoming. "When I left you at college that memorable day, Jim," he began, "I came directly here and opened up my shop.

"Business was wonderfully dull, and I gave it up. Though the kind offices of a friend I secured an appointment as Government detective. By advice from the department I retained my office and calling of doctor merely as a blind. I was making money and was wonderfully successful, when one day I received notice that a gang of counterfeiters was working in my section, and was flooding the country with 'queer.' I worked day after day, and succeeded in obtaining a clew. I caught a sweet, handsome girl in the act of passing some of the dust, and, though my heart rebelled, I arrested her on the quiet and brought her to my office. She promised to say nothing of the arrest, and I released her. When she left she told me her name was Daisy, but would say nothing more.

"'I hope you will succeed, Sir,' she said, 'and it will be the happiest moment of my life when you release me from the bonds that bind me now.' Well, I have never seen her since, and I want you to help me find her. I shadowed her when she left the office, but she gave me the slip. I must find her, and must capture that gang."

I promised him my aid, heart and soul, and was immediately converted into a walking arsenal. He had in his possession a large number of the counterfeit bills.

"I am going to turn counterfeiter, Jim," he said with a wan smile. "The telegraph ticker here is connected with one in the top of a tree near where I think the rendezvous is. You are to stay here as my assistant, and in case you receive a message come directly to the tree with the twelve men who will arrive to-night. I have the thing almost ready to close." Toward evening, in a rough, dirty suit of clothes, he left. I sat in his office ruminating over the strange events of the last few hours. The twelve Government men, big, stalwart fellows, arrived and were distributed about the house under my directions and with a brief explanation. I sat through the twilight and watched that instrument, but no word came. I dropped into a restless doze, dreaming of Daisy and her strange story, when suddenly I was aroused and my attention attracted to the instrument's sharp, clear ticking.

"Jim," it said, "Daisy—and—I—need—you. Come—at—once."

With a hasty answer, I aroused the men, and away we went, with guns handy, and muffled from head to foot. Through brush and swamp we stumbled, and finally reached the tree. Standing there silently as ghosts, I was aroused by a touch on the arm. Turning quickly, I peered into Will's deathly pale face.

"Come!" he said simply, and we picked our way to an old deserted mill. The men were roused to a great pitch of excitement by sudden, queer flashes of light, and a rattling, unearthly sound occasionally heard. Under Will's direction the men crept close to the mill and peered through the cracks. Nothing met their eyes but a strange mumbling sound caught their ears. Suddenly a piercing scream was heard and a door opened from nowhere. A woman came tearing out at full speed and the door closed as quickly. The woman ran straight into Will's arms, and he wiped the blood from her brow, at the same time murmuring: "God bless you, my darling;" and I knew it was his sweetheart. She was in a fainting condition, but when roused seemed glad to see Will, and told him that she had expressed her determination to leave the life she was leading. One of the leaders had struck her a crushing blow, and her father, while attempting to to defend her, was killed. The time for action had come. She was thirsting for revenge, and it was planned that she should beg admittance, promising to stay by the gang. She led the way and our crowd followed. With drawn revolvers we grouped around the door. She knocked and piteously begged them to let her in, and as quickly was she whispered out of sight behind a huge tree. The door was opened and we rushed in. Not a man escaped, and large and many packages of counterfeit bills were captured. The presses, dies, etc., were carted away the next day and sent to Washington. Any one who has any curiosity can find in the old record a story of "Kid Evans, Joe Benson and the Mississippi gang."

And Daisy? Well, you can answer as to what became of her. I? Well, I have ever since that time been a detective, and live at Will's house with a sweet little Southern wife, whose proud little spirit occasionally asserts itself.

THE principal attraction at a Boston baby show is a red-haired negro infant.

A MILE A MINUTE.

A Stubborn Cow Obstructs a Lightning Train in Nebraska.

A small party of railway conductors and engineers sat discussing the speed of the trains of the present day at the Canfield Hotel, two evenings ago, says the Omaha *World*. It was almost unanimously conceded that trains can not make the time on Western roads that they do on Eastern roads, when Fred Ranslaw, who has been on a Union Pacific engine for the last ten years, related an experience he once had in making Grand Island and return.

"It was on a bright October day," began the narrator, "in 1881 that I received an order from General Master Mechanic McConnell to report at once at his office. I had then been an engineer only three months and I knew by the way the command read that something out of the ordinary had to be done. I had never run an engine out of the yards, and I went to the office with a misgiving that my mettle was about to be tried. I was the only engineer available, and I knew there was nothing for me to do but to obey. When I got to the office I was given the order: "Make Grand Island and return as fast as you consider it safe." This order had no double meaning to me. My engine was No. 18, a rickety old thing used in the yards, but she was the only one at hand. To her I attached a way car, raised the white flag, and, with the crew and Dr. Mercer, pulled out of the Union Pacific depot.

"I learned before I started that a switchman named Smith, employed in the yards at Grand Island, had been seriously hurt, and that the object of our trip was to bring him to Omaha. The poor fellow had been caught between the cars, and both legs and an arm had been run over. It was thought that good care and medical attendance might save him, and for these reasons it was deemed best to place him in the hospital.

"Our trip for the first one hundred miles was uneventful. We stopped at Papio to meet a stock train at Valley for orders and at Fremont to meet No. 4. As we were nearing Schuyler No. 18 was doing her best. The telegraph poles seemed about a foot apart, and the fences were shadows dancing in the sunlight. We must have been going sixty miles an hour when the fireman looked up, and with a cry of despair exclaimed, "There goes a cow!" and jumped into the gangway. The brute had just come on the track, and I slowed up a little hoping she would cross over and the coast would be clear. Instead, however, of leaving the road, she hoisted her tail and started down the track in a mad race with the train. We were now getting close upon her, and the situation was becoming perilous. It was evident that the cow must be run down and for fear that she might "double up" and ditch the train I opened the throttle and the engine bounded ahead. In an instant we were upon her. There was a shower of blood and filth upon the front of the engine, and the cow lay about two rods from the track a mass of lifeless pulp. I looked back, and the old lady who owned the cow stood in the door-way of the section-house in holy horror. When we got to Chapman the waste and oil in the boxes was on fire, but I did not stop until I had reached my destination, within three hours after I left this city.

"At Grand Island the injured man was placed in the car, and after a wait of one-half hour we started for Omaha. The distance to Central City, twenty-two miles, we made in twenty minutes. Here we had to stop and change the wounded man's position. The surgeon ordered us to run slower to Omaha on account of his painful condition, and we pulled into the Union Pacific Depot just six hours and fifty-eight minutes after we had started out, a distance of 338 miles in that time, including nine stops and a wait of one-half hour. The wounded man was kindly cared for in the hospital, but the shock and the ride were too much for his system, and in a couple of days afterward he died."

THE FARM MORTGAGE.

An Honest Druggist's Convincing Argument Against Indebtedness.

There is in Bangor an ancient drug store which for over forty years has been the headquarters of the farmers trading in that city, says the Lewiston (Me.) *Journal*. There they go for goods, to leave whips, robes and bundles, to loaf away the evenings when "down on the jury," and when in search of information. Into it the other day there walked a sturdy yeoman, his bronzed face and hard, horny hands telling of exposure to the weather and of days of hard toil. His clothing was of good, honest material, and on his feet were solid cowhide boots. Walking up to the proprietor of the store he inquired for Lawyer Blank.

Now the man from the farm had such an honest face, such an innocent expression, that the druggist, knowing the man sought for to be a "sharper"—in fact not a real lawyer at all—departed from his rule of minding his own business and asked the farmer what he wanted of the lawyer. In a few words the story was told. It seems the man had worked hard all his days, had bought and paid for a $1,200 farm, had taken a wife, furnished a house, and now, envious of some of his neighbors, wanted to build a $300 barn. To do this, he proposed to borrow the cash, giving a mortgage of his farm. Said the druggist, after the story was told:

"Your farm is clear now?"

"Yes, sir."

"You love your wife?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well," said the merchant, "this is what you should do. Go home and earn the three hundred dollars first and then build your barn. If you borrow now, you will think each night as you lie on your bed that you are in debt. You will fret and worry; your young wife will do the same; sickness and accidents may come or a poor crop be your portion; there will be a three hundred dollar skeleton in your house, and, ten to one, you will fret and grow peevish and have a row with your wife. Don't go into the mortgage business! Don't go into debt! Live within your income, be industrious, and when you do build your barn and own it, you will be as proud of it as an Englishman is of his castle."

For a moment the young farmer hesitated. On each side were interested spectators, and all was silent. Gradually the head lowered, and a tear rolled down the cheek. Though only a tiller of the soil, the man took pride in his occupation, and wanted that barn. At last he said:

"Thank you, sir. To tell you the truth, sir, my wife was a-crying when I left home because I was going to mortgage the place. I'll take your advice and go home as I came down, and she'll be glad to see me, you bet!"

"There," said the Bangor man; "that fellow came to a good, wise conclusion. I have seen lots of misery on account of this mortgage business. He who gives one often gives peace, comfort and contentment with it."

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—Mr. A. D. Thompson of Finderne, has purchased the Day livery stable property on North avenue.

—THE PRESS has received a letter asking for aid for Mrs. D. Squires, of Stiger's alley. We have before alluded to her destitute condition.

—Y. M. C. A. Seniors and young men generally are invited to a blackboard Bible talk to be given by Rev. Dr. Hurlbut at Association Hall, this evening. Subject—"The Four Gospels."

—The adoption of the United States Constitution by New Jersey, on December 18, 1787, will be commemorated by the New Brunswick Historical Club, on Friday evening, in the Chapel of Rutgers College New Brunswick.

—The Middlesex County Grand Jury completed its labors early in the present week. Out of the 169 cases considered, but nineteen bills of indictment were brought in, and five of that number were against parties from this city.

—For the first time in the history of Plainfield it has an accurate Directory of its inhabitants. The work has been accomplished by City Clerk Leonard assisted by Mr. Wm. C. Hubbard. We will reserve an extended review of the book until to-morrow.

—As the Warren Mission Industrial School will be closed Dec. 24th and 31st, the coming Saturday, Dec. 17th, will be promotion day. Every teacher and scholar connected with the school is earnestly requested to be in her place promptly at half-past two o'clock.

—Since the fact has become generally known that Louis Peterson, a colored man, was elected Justice of the Peace in the First ward at the recent city election, several other colored Justices have come forth in various parts of the State, each claiming to be the first one elected to the office.

—Ex-special "Detective Murphy" has given up all hope, it is said, of ever getting anything from the "public subscription." It is understood, however, that he contemplates leaving the city in a few days, but is now engaged in working up, on his own account, cases against Sunday liquor sellers in this vicinity.

—The *Unionist-Gazette* of Somerville says: "It is current rumor that the Pond Tool Company of Plainfield has purchased the Hugh Rehill farm near Bound Brook for $30,000, upon which they will erect a manufactory similar and as an auxiliary to the one at Plainfield just completed. If this report be true, Bound Brook will receive a building boom in consequence."

—Many elegant calendars have been published within the last two or three years, but the one issued by Messrs. Doliber, Goodale & Co., of Boston, Mass., for the year 1888, surpasses them all in beauty. It is one of Lowell's fine steel plate engravings, and it is so designed that it may be painted in water colors by any one artistically inclined. Messrs. Doliber, Goodale & Co., will mail it to any one upon receipt of ten cents in stamps or cash.

—The parlor sale and supper at the residence of Miss Nettie Randall, No. 8 Madison avenue, began yesterday afternoon. It was largely patronized, considering the very inclement state of the weather. The receipts were very gratifying to the "Little Workers," under whose auspices it is conducted. The sale closes to-night, and we trust the friends of the cause will turn out in large numbers and patronize it liberally, as we are informed the "Little Workers" intend to give the proceeds to the Trinity Reformed church.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

To-morrow evening is the date of the first reception of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Titsworth at their residence on W. 7th street.

At Chicago, on Sunday, Mr. Lawrence O'Rielly and Miss Mary C. Ryan were united in marriage. The bride and groom formerly resided here.

Miss Louise Green of Eighth street and Miss Lena Bass of Plainfield avenue, returned from Wellesley College, yesterday, to spend the holidays at home.

Mr. Charles W. McCutchen will give a "Practical Talk" to the young men of the city under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., Tuesday evening of next week at eight o'clock. Subject: "How can I be successful in business?"

Jeremiah Callahan, an aged resident of Brook avenue, North Plainfield, died yesterday morning after a short illness from pneumonia. Deceased was about 65 years of age, and the father of Thos. Callahan, the groceryman of this city.

Mr. Chas. Powlison of North Plainfield, returned home this morning from the School for Christian Workers at Springfield, Mass., and will spend his holiday vacation with his parents. He is again filling his old position in Mr. M. Estil's stationery store.

At the National Convention of Republican clubs which opened in Chickering Hall, N. Y., yesterday, Union county was honored by receiving an appointment on one of the committees, Judge Ulrich of this city, was appointed a member of the Committee on Credentials.

A Concert of Local Color.

The Bethel Mission's pretty new chapel on East Fifth street, was crowded last evening by many of our best people, and chairs in the aisles were necessary to accomodate the large audience present at a vocal and instrumental concert given by the members of Mr. Ginna's successful mission. The programme was a pleasing one, very entertainingly rendered. The orchestra, consisting of two violins, a flute and a harp, played with good expression and taste. There were no false notes, the runs were clear and the turns smooth. The programme was an extensive one, yet every vocal number was encored and other selections given in reply. Miss Ledi Lane who sang "Flee as a Bird," was needlessly a little nervous, but her voice was very sweet. Miss Charlotte Allen sang "In the Gloaming" with much feeling; and Miss Alice Wood gave as an encore "When the Swallows" etc., with a great deal of style. Mr. Charles Mann's rendition of "Take Back the Heart," was very expressive; and Miss Ada Thompson's singing of "We'd Better Bide a Wee," was well received. The vocal quartette was all good, and Mrs. Dunham, the soprano, especially, sang well. The selections of the orchestra, not down on the programme, included "La Guitana," "Il Trovatore," "Erminie," etc. Financially, also, was the concert successful. Mr. A. W. Duxbury has discovered and trained to remarkable finish a number of voices in the Bethel that the people will now hope to hear oftener in public. The next concert will need a larger building. Miss Dewey was the able accompanist of last evening.

State Council O. A. F.

The annual meeting of the State Council, O. A. F., was held at Chief Kerstead's Headquarters, Newark, yesterday. President Tower called the meeting to order. On account of forming a permanent organization, the offices created in June last were declared vacant, and officers were elected as follows: President—F. G. Tower; Secretary—W. H. Cole; Treas—A. Saltzman. The by-laws governing the State Fireman's Association were adopted. Adjournment was made to meet again at the same place in June next. It was reported at the meeting that over 11,000 members now belong to the National Association, and new Councils are being organized in various parts of the country. The delegates from this city were: Messrs. A. Saltzman, T. H. Keller and C. A. Davis.

Death of Mr. Insley Boice.

Mr. Insley Boice, one of the most widely known and universally esteemed residents in Middlesex county, died at his home below New Brooklyn, a little before midnight last evening. The deceased was in the 76th year of his age and had been ailing for some time, although not confined to the house. On Wednesday he came to town and took dinner with his daughter, Mrs. Dr. J. B. Probasco, and was apparently enjoying moderate health. The immediate cause of death was heart trouble. Mr. Boice was an enterprising farmer and amassed considerable wealth. He has always resided in the locality in which he died, and for the past thirty-five years has been prominently identified with the First Baptist church in this city, being a deacon in the church. A widow and four children survive him.

—On New Year's Day, it is said, there will be an eclipse of the sun, visible here as a partial one about sunset.

The Brute Should Suffer.

The New York papers today contain an account of a brutal outrage perpetrated upon Mrs. Wm. McNair of Scotch Plains, by her husband, recently, wherein, it is alleged, McNair, while drunk, beat his young wife and four-months' old baby, to such an extent, that the former to escape jumped through a window with the babe in her arms, tearing the sash out as she jumped. Since then nothing has been heard of her, although diligent search has been made. It is thought by many that the poor woman has committed suicide. All the streams and mill-ponds in the vicinity have been dragged, but the woman and her babe have not been discovered. The people of Scotch Plains are incensed at the conduct of McNair, and they say if harm has befallen his wife and babe he will have to suffer if they have to take the law into their own hands. Mrs. McNair left four children at home. Some time ago her life was saved from poisoning, only by the efforts of her neighbors. If this be true, McNair should be promptly arrested, and summarily dealt with. According to the laws of Maryland, a brute of this type is led to the whipping-post and severely flogged.

An Exciting Runaway.

A west bound Philadelphia express train passing through this city at four o'clock this afternoon, frightened a horse belonging to Mr. F. W. Lord of Putman avenue, causing the animal to run away. A colored man was driving under the Park avenue railroad bridge at the time and Mrs. Lord and her son were seated in a two-seat phæton. At the intersection of Park and North avenues the phæton collided with a grocery wagon belonging to Mr. Peter Bennett, and the phæton was overturned and completely wrecked, throwing all the occupants into the roadway. A scene of wild excitement followed. Mrs. Lord and her son were extricated from the wreck, but neither were found to be injured. The coachman received a cut on the upper lip, but otherwise he was uninjured. The frightened horse freed himself from the vehicle, and ran at great speed to Front street, where he was subsequently caught.

"Off" Again.

The New York *World* of yesterday says: "The Plainfield Common Council, at its meeting Monday night, appointed one of its own members, Tunis J. Carey, Chief of Police."

The imbecile inaccuracy of this is however excelled by the utter folly of the following from the Plainfield *Evening (?). It* lives in town, and *It* reads THE PRESS, so nothing but sheer stupidity will account for this statement: "The appointment of Mr. Carey as regular policeman is equivalent to making him Chief, as he takes Mr. Dodd's place."

He does *not* take Mr. Dodd's place and Mr. Job Male is the present Chief of the Plainfield Police.

Christmas at the Home.

MR. EDITOR:—Will you kindly allow me to answer through your paper the oft-repeated question "What Shall I Send to the Home for Christmas?" We have eight girls and ten boys, varying in age from 5 to 12 years. Shoes and rubbers in assorted sizes, stockings, hoods and mittens, handkerchiefs, flannel underwear, gingham for aprons, pillow cases, napkins and towels, will be very acceptable. "It goes without saying" that from eighteen children, Christmas candies and toys would receive due appreciation.

N. E. KIMBALL.

Neither Snow, Sleigh Nor Shekels.

December is here, and with livery sleigh,
Snuggled close to our girl, we would hie us aweigh,
And spend the whole of a mortal deigh
In having a "racket" both ancient and geigh—
If some subscriber would only peigh.

—*Richmond County Advance.*

As it looketh just now, your cake is all dough,
Where's the use of a sleigh when there ain't no snough?

—*New York Morning Journal.*

The clerk of the weather, without shadow of doubt,
Would order a blizzard and so help you oubt,
Could he see any way, that a paper could pay
The price that is charged by the hour for a slay.

They Get There, All the Same.

The *Fireman's Herald* thus refers to some of the firemen of this city, evidently alluding to firebug Jackson:

"A St. Paul paper says the firemen responded to a recent alarm in one minute and fifteen seconds, and an excited spectator exclaimed, 'Why, the alarm is not run down yet and our rescuers are here!' This is slow time for St. Paul firemen, but the snow was too deep to make their usual quick time. Firemen in Plainfield, N. J., beat this. They have been known to be on the ground before the fire started."

When a parent, with problems of Christmas o'ercome,
On his pillow, his pillow, his pillow,
Lies thinking of how all the stockings at home
He'll fill oh, he'll fill oh, he'll fill oh,
Some angel will whisper him, knowing his quest,
"Won't Collier provide you the cheapest and best?"
And the answer will come like a blast from the West,
"He will oh, he will oh, he will oh."

A Successful Business Career.

After a successful business career in this city and North Plainfield, covering a period of 31 years, Mr. Wm. H. Shotwell, the North Plainfield groceryman, has disposed of his extensive business, and will spend the remainder of his days in retirement. As announced exclusively in THE PRESS of yesterday, the papers are signed, transferring the store property at the corner of Duer and Emily streets, and the premises adjoining on Duer street, now occupied by Mr. Edmund Taylor, together with the stock on hand, horses, wagons and everything pertaining to the business, to Messrs. R. W. Rice & Co., of Kingston, Pa.. The new firm took possession today retaining all of the old clerks. Few men, if any, have been more successfull in business than Mr. Shotwell, whose honesty, integrity and fair dealing are acknowledged by all, and have won for him an enviable reputation. Ever since he came to Plainfield in July, 1856, he has been engaged in the grocery trade, and as he was well adapted to the business giving his strict attention thereto, his advancement has been steady.

Mr. Shotwell was first engaged as a clerk by Messrs. Butler & Lee, who conducted a grocery store on the site now occupied by Mr. I. Boehm on West Front street. During 1858 he was in the employ of the late Alexander Dunham, the business at that time being located where Vetterlein's meat market now stands. Later, in 1864, Mr. Shotwell formed a co-partnership with Jacob G. Laing, now deceased, on Park avenue, Mr. John Rafferty's present location. Some years later, in 1870, he engaged in business with Mr. S. O. Staats, under the firm name of Shotwell & Staats, and for five years did a thriving business on West Front street, where Mr. Geo. W. Force is now located. On April 1st, 1875, after severing his connection with Mr. Staats, he established the extensive business in North Plainfield, which he has since enjoyed. A few years ago his stock was considerably damaged by fire, but the injury to his business was but temporary. Mr. Shotwell will continue to reside in North Plainfield, where he has many warm friends.

Mr. John W. Rice the senior member of the firm, which includes his brother, has purchased the property occupied by Rev. J. B. Cleaver, and has already taken up his residence there. Both of the members of the new firm are brothers of Mrs. Edwin Loomis of Rockview avenue, North Plainfield, and are well acquainted with the business to which they succeed Mr. Shotwell. We bespeak for them a prosperous future, and wish them unlimited success.

Comparison of Gas Bills.

According to the bills of the Plainfield Gas Company for gas consumed in the various engine houses, sent in to the Fire Board at the meeting on Tuesday evening, a far greater amount of gas was consumed during the month of May when the days were long and the nights short, than there was during October when the days were considerably shorter. Following is a comparison of the bills for gas consumed in each of the houses for the months of May, September, October and November of the present year;

	May.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Total.
No. 1 Engine....	14.25	1.25	1.25	8.00	24.75
" 2 "	3.00	2.75	2.00	4.25	12.00
" 3 "	5.25	4.75	5.50	5.00	20.50
Zephyr.....	4.00	2.25	2.00	4.00	12.25
Alert.....	1.25	3.50		5.50	10.25
Total					$79.75

The above bills for Alert's house, $5.50 and $3.50 were for two months each.

Robbers at Bound Brook.

George Sommers the night operator at Bound Brook, discovered thieves operating in a freight car at that place about midnight last evening. When discovered the robbers retreated into the back of the car, and the operator quickly closed the door, locking them in. He got assistance and three men were dragged from the car. They were taken to the railroad station and bound with ropes to the settees and a messenger was dispatched for the village constable, who arrived an hour later. The robbers were securely handcuffed, placed on board the pipe train which gets to Bound Brook at 1:30 and taken to the County Jail at Somerville. Sommers is the man who discovered the burglars in the Bound Brook post office a year or so since, and aided materially in capturing the one who is now serving out a term in State Prison.

—A grand sociable of the "Merry Five" will be held at Excelsior Hall, Scotch Plains, on the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 28th.

—It is amusing at this season to hear the little folks, as they stand in front of the store windows, choosing from among the articles displayed the thing they would like to have for Christmas.

—Since everything in the household is now bustle and excitement, getting ready for Christmas, one of the most important things to take into consideration is the proper place to purchase your gifts. By purchasing them at home you will encourage our dealers and be leaving your money where a portion of it at least may return to you again before long.

Arrest, Conviction, Sentence, New Trial, Set Free.

Mr. Daniel Adams of North Plainfield, and Mr. William Miller of Warrenville, upon learning that two boys had been in the Borough Lock-up over night each under senience of a fine of twenty-five dollars and costs, fifty-three dollars and sixty cents all told, decided to pay the fines and secure the release of the boys. This was on November 28 last. The boys said that they had been convicted but that they were not guilty. The charge was that they were hunting with dog and gun on Sunday. They gave such a rational account that Mr. Adams and Mr. Miller determined to employ counsel to take the case to the higher courts. Craig A. Marsh, Esq., was selected as counsel, and in his hands the whole matter was placed for removal to the Supreme Court or Common Pleas Court as he preferred. Upon applying for copies of the papers, it was seen that Mayor Cooley who had imposed the sentence was disposed to do full justice to the defendants by affording them opportunity to be heard by Counsel. It was at once arranged that the first judgment should be cancelled and a new trial had, and the Mayor stipulated to refund the money in case he should render judgment in favor of the accused after hearing their Counsel. The hearing came off yesterday. Defendant's counsel submitted in writing seven grounds for dismissal of the complaint and supported each one by argument and authorities. The grounds were chiefly the errors of the officers in making the arrests, the complaint, swearing only on information and belief, substituting an officer who did not make the arrest for the one who did, and technical defects in the papers. Marshal Becker vehemently opposed the argument and insisted that the guilt of the defendants was clear. The Mayor carefully examined the statutes, authorities and grounds submitted, and finally with much deliberation stated that in his judgment the points of the defendants' counsel were well taken, and on the ground of the defects in the proceedings so pointed out, he would refund the money previously paid and dismiss the case with costs. Defendants' counsel is entitled to the thanks of the Borough for submitting the points raised to Mayor Cooley instead of incurring the costs of litigation in the higher courts. On the other hand Mayor Cooley evinced the right kind of courage in reversing his own judgment when satisfied that he was in error. It is right that the law should throw around the people safeguards against the too hasty imposition of fines or deprivation of liberty. The law is adequate to bring its violators to justice, and its recognized forms of proceedure should be foliowed. There is no safety in departing from the regular orderly administration of justice. Better now and then allow a guilty man like Jacob Sharp to escape than to leave it possible to injure the innocent by the railroading process often demanded by public clamor.

No More Packed Juries.

A bill will be introduced at the coming session of the Legislature to abolish the evils attending the present method of selecting jurors. It will provide for the appointment of jury commissioners to select the jurors, a duty now unsatisfactorily performed by the Sheriffs. The bill is already framed, and prominent lawyers have it in charge. They say that its object is to obtain good jurors, free from personal or political influence, and, also, to secure a proper enforcement of the laws designed to protect society, but now, in many cases, disregarded and practically nullified. Under the provisions of the bill the Judge of the Circuit Court in each county is to appoint two reputable persons, residents and freeholders, who shall not be of the same political party. These are to be known as Commissioners of Jurors. Their terms are to be three years and their compensation is not to exceed $1,000 a year each. Their duty will be to make out lists of all the persons in the county liable to jury duty and to make their selections for jurors therefrom, regard being had to the qualifications of persons so selected on account of talents, knowledge, independence and integrity.

The Art Gallery Loan Exhibition.

Almost three months ago THE PRESS published an article imperfectly describing the nature, beauty and great value of the Schoonmaker Collection of Chinese cloisonne enamel. It was then promised that the public would be given an opportunity of inspecting it themselves at the Plainfield Art Gallery, as Mr. F. X. Schoonmaker, of Putnam avenue, owner of the collection, had generously proposed its exhibition for the enjoyment of all. Arrangements having since been perfected for a Loan Exhibition to include additional art objects besides the Schoonmaker Collection, the Art Gallery will be opened for such purpose as advertised elsewhere, on Tuesday evening, the 20th inst. A limited number of tickets will be sold for this first evening, upon which occasion Mr. Schoonmaker will deliver a lecture on "The Chinese and Their Arts."

FANWOOD FLIPS.

Trifles Cathered By Our Suburban Saunterer.

Many wayfarers returning from the station, if in company, beguile the trip with anecdotes of varied degrees of freshness and age. While passing Mr. Force's a jingling bell is often heard to ring, and the story-tellers often regard this as an unjust reflection upon the age of their narrative. I asked Mr. Force about it, and he said that that was his call bell, he used it to call the man about the place, as it was much more convenient than shouting at the top of one's voice. But it did sound like an automatic old joke bell.

The trains are full of ladies bent on shopping expeditions. Among them are many traditional shoppers, women who have made shopping the study of their lives, and who delight in nothing so much as to beat down the price of dry goods, or to try to beat it down, they don't mind if they fail once or twice—for they know they can do it somewhere else. In these days of large stores and low prices, however, the shopping fiend has less to do, but she can still go around getting samples, and she does, making life a burden to the poor shop-girl who has stood behind the counter since eight o'clock that morning, and who expects to stand there until eleven or twelve o'clock at night. Yet some of the saleswomen seem to like the holiday season better than any other time of year; they delight in the noise and bustle of Christmas time. But in most cases it must be a terrible strain on the overworked shop-girls who put in long days of fifteen or sixteen hours at a time. But why must all those who wish to do Christmas shopping rush to New York? They can find nearly everything they want in Plainfield. The slight difference, if any, in expense, is compensated by the cost of traveling and wear and tear on clothes in the great crowds. When one reflects on the enormous number of shopping friends that crowd the stores at this time, it will be seen that the last item is no trifling matter.

Mr. Richard Mansfield is back in town. In a short time he will appear in "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," which was so successful last Fall. This is certainly a wonderful play; the sudden transition from the amiable Doctor to the incarnate villian is startling in its effect; the whole play is one of the most wierd productions ever brought on the stage, and no one should miss an opportunity of seeing it. It will be produced at the Fifth Avenue Theatre for two weeks, beginning Dec. 26.

Another whist match was played on Wednesday night, at Mr. Kleb's and this time Scotch Plains was successful. With which they are naturally pleased.

The Fanwood Literary Society met on Friday night at the residence of Mr. Force. "Fanwood Club" was offered as a charade and quickly guessed. Another amusement consisted in acting the titles of books, the name to be guessed by the company. Many musical and literary selections were rendered. The meeting was as successful as any that have yet been held.

The great bag and basket sale is to come off on Wednesday of next week. Here is a chance for those seeking suitable Christmas presents; they can find something to suit all kinds of tastes.

The Saunterer found a group of his friends at the depot discussing the situation. They were speaking of the near approach of Christmas. The growler thought that it was all nonsense, this system of giving presents. "Why," he said, "its not only foolish but wrong for young men to persist in spending what little they have on some absurd present for some one who didn't need it at all, and who would probably never think about him if it wasn't for Christmas. After all, its only an exchange; John gives a present to Henry, well knowing that Henry will do the same by him. It involves great expense, endless trouble, and results in more ill-feeling than there is good in all the presents ever given." The gossip differed from this opinion, he thought the custom of giving presents a first-rate one, and was unwilling to see it die out. "You may talk as you please, but when the custom is carried on as it should be, and is simply an expression of good feeling, it makes Christmas the pleasantest day of the year. But when people give presents to all their acquaintances and relations to the tenth degree merely because they expect something themselves, the whole thing becomes a mere exchange." They separate, each holding as fast to his own opinion, but I noticed that the growler invested in a five pound box of candy, and went home loaded with a great weight of something or other. Of course they weren't Christmas presents, but I can't imagine what they really were.

Well, presents or no presents, Christmas is almost on us, and will probably be enjoyed to the full.

SUBURBAN SAUNTERER.

—The ice men are getting their houses in order for the new crop, but the weather has got to "brace up" before the harvest commences.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS

ITALIANS WANT TO PRESENT A BUST OF GARIBALDI.

A Sorghum Patent Provokes General Discussion--Ben Perley Moore's Salary Given to His Widow--New Bills.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Among the papers laid before the senate was a communication from Italian residents in Washington proposing to present to this country a marble bust of Garibaldi, "as a link in the chain of sympathy which all freemen feel for the champions of liberty and republican government." Referred to committee on liberty.

Mr. Dolph, from the committee on commerce, reported back bills to extend the limits of the port of Portland as a port of entry, to amend the act of June 10, 1880, in regard to the immediate transportation of dutable goods, and to create a port of delivery at Port Angeles, in the district of Port Puget sound. Placed on calendar.

A resolution was reported by Mr. Paddock from the committee on contingent expenses to pay to the widow of the late Ben. Berley Poor a sum equal to six months' salary of his position as clerk to the senate committee on printing, $1,160. Adopted.

Bills were introduced and referred as follows:

Mr. George—To protect employees and servants engaged in interstate commerce and in the Territories and District of Columbia.

Mr. Hoar—To extend the general land and mining laws over the Territory of Alaska.

Also, to facilitate the settlement and develop the resources of Alaska and to open an overland commercial route between the United States, Asiatic Russia and Japan.

Mr. Plumb—To forfeit lands granted to the state of Michigan for a railroad from Marquette to Ontonogan.

By Mr. Coke—To limit the jurisdiction of the circuit and district courts.

The resolution offered some days ago by Mr. Plumb was taken up, directing the attorney-general to investigate the issue of a patent to Magnus Swanson, last October, in connection with the manufacture of sugar from sorghum, and if invalid to commence suit to have the patent cancelled, the point being that Mr. Swanson was an employe of the agricultural department while making the experiments out of which the patent resulted.

Mr. Plumb hoped that the resolution would be adopted as the question involved was a very important one.

The resolution, he said, did not imply any censure on the commissioner of agriculture who had been very zealous and active in all matters relating to the development of the sorghum sugar industry.

Mr. Edmunds suggested that there were two difficulties in the way of the resolution. One was that this was the first time or one of the first times that the senate has called upon the head of a department to do anything affirmatively in regard to any part of the public business.

In some cases the secretary of the interior had been requested to suspend some action pending action on the subject of congress. Questions of law were committed to the attorney-general while acting under the direction of the president. Another formidable difficulty was, not in his own mind but in the minds of some judges, whether the attorney-general had a right to bring a suit to invalidate a patent unless by authority of congress. He thought that the resolution should be referred to the committee on patents, and he made that motion.

After further discussion by Messrs. Plumb, Saulsbury, Riddleberger, Call, Hoar, Grey, Butler, Teller, George, Hawley, Beck and Sherman, the motion to refer was rejected and the resolution adopted. It reads:

"*Resolved*, That the attorney-general be requested to investigate the issuance of letters patent to Mangus Swanson, of date of October 10, 1887, and if in his judgment the same is invalid on any ground, or was procured by reason of information obtained from experiments made by the government, and in his judgment a suit can be maintained in the name of the united States, to commence such suit promptly, to have the same canceled, or the use of the same by said Swanson, or any one claiming under him perpetually enjoined."

Mr. Butler offered a resolution, which was adopted, directing the judiciary committee to inquire and report whether, in the present state of the law, the government has the power or the attorney-general the authority to institute judicial proceedings to vacate a patent for an invention on any ground whatever.

Mr. Stewart spoke in support of the bill introduced by him on Monday, which provides for the deposit at mints of gold and silver bullion, the discontinuance of gold coinage and the issuance of coin certificates and the destruction of outstanding certificates. He said that if silver were made valueless through being no longer used as money, its production would cease and the failure to work silver mines would result in diminishing by one-third the product in gold, which now comes from silver ore; that it would be criminal to destroy one of those metals for the purpose of benefitting any favorite class.

At the close of Mr. Stewart's remarks the senate at 2:50, on motion of Mr. Spooner, went into secret session, and at 3 o'clock adjourned until Monday next.

CAUGHT AFTER SIX YEARS.

A Man Who Stole $40,000 While His Bride Lay Dead in the House.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 16.—Ernest K. Williamson, who six years ago robbed the firm of Albert Moran & Co., of Fall River, Mass., of $40,000 and fled to parts unknown, has at last been captured, and passed thro' this city in charge of a detective to-day. Williamson was married to Hattie Moran, the daughter of the senior partner, on June 14, 1881. The next morning Mrs. Williamson went out for a drive. The horse ran away and the bride was instantly killed. That same night Moran & Co. received a package by express containing nearly $40,000 in cash. Mr. Moran placed it in the safe and went to his home of sorrow. Williamson was there, bowed down in grief. Mr. Moran mentioned the fact of the money being in the safe and went to his room. Although his bride lay cold in death Williamson went to the office, opened the safe, stole the money, and fled. He was the confidential man of the firm, and had access to the safe.

Williamson was captured at Homersville, in this state, by means of a photograph taken by a travelling photographer, who was arrested in Chicago on Thanksgiving day, and the picture of Williamson was recognized.

A Just Sentence.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 16.—Thomas Tibbitts, a young man, was convicted in the criminal court yesterday of felonious assault on a girl of eleven years. He was sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary for fifteen and a half years.

FEDERATION OF LABOR.

The Constitution Not Yet Adopted--Will Probably Adjourn Saturday.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 16.—Yesterday afternoon's session of the American Federation of Labor was consumed by the consideration of the report of the committee on constitution. An effort to draw the line between skilled and unskilled labor was stigmatized as the cause of the disintegration of the knights of labor, and a motion to strike out the words "labor organizations" where they occur in the constitution and use the term "trades unions" exclusively was voted down. A motion to compel all organizations to obtain charters from the federation one month before the meeting of the convention occasioned considerable debate and warm opposition from representatives of the International Typographical union, who declared that their old and influential organization would under no circumstances come to the federation for a charter, and it was amended to read certificate of membership instead of charter, and passed.

The question of equitable representation was the cause of long discussion. Some delegates held that national and international bodies only were entitled to a voice in the affairs of the federation, while others were of the opinion that central labor unions and local trades assemblies were the ministry of the labor reform movement, and it was voted that such organizations be allowed representation according to their numerical strength, even though the same trades may be indirectly represented by delegates from their national body.

The constitution has not yet been adopted, and it is now improbable that the final adjournment can be had before Saturday afternoon. The delegates were last night entertained by the carpenters' brotherhood of Baltimore.

Through Line from Minneapolis to the Sea

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 16.—The last rail was laid yesterday on the Minneapolis, Sault Ste. Marine and Atlantic railway, thus forming a continuous line from this city to Sault Ste. Marie. President W. D. Washburne, General Manager Vnderwood, Chief Engineer, Rich and several other directors of the road left on a special train to make a trip over the entire line to the Sault. The Canadian Pacific line reached the Sault last week, and the only break in an uninterrupted line from Minneapolis to the Atlantic seaboard is the international bridge now being built across St. Mary's river, and which will be completed by the first of January. It is now expected that the line will be open for through business to the seaboard by the first of January, although trains will not be put on until some time in the spring.

A Convict Takes Life Easy

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—James Harkins who was supposed to be serving a sentence of twelve months imprisonment in the county jail at St. San Jose, has been discovered walking around the city. Harkins, who is known as "uncle Jimmy," is the head of the opium smuggling ring which a few years ago controled the custom house and the United States court commissioners and conducted operations on a scale that made several of the conspirators wealthy. He bribed a United States commissioner in an opium smuggling case, and was sentenced to a year's imprisonment in San Jose jail. Yesterday he was found around town without a guard, and inquiry reveals the fact that he is at a leading hotel of the city enjoying duck shooting.

Henry S. Ives on Trial.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—A group of men gathered at the Tombs police court this morning at the examination of Henry S. Ives on the charge of grand larceny in taking and converting a draft for $[illegible] of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad company.

The central figure was the young financier, scowling and chipper as if he was not a spectator instead of being accused of stealing $100,000. Julius Dexter, president of the C. H. & D. R. R. testified at some length as to the transaction in question. Mr. Ives' bookkeeper and Mr. Ives himself were then examined. The justice reserved his decision.

Captured in Italy.

HAZLETON, Dec. 16.—A year ago Frank Mumaw was murdered in his own house here by an Italian known as Jos. Sasano, but whose real name was Gros. Gros and a companion went to the house drunk and Mumaw undertook to eject them. As he was *pushing Gros out of the door* the latter drew a stiletto and stabbed Mumaw under the left arm. He died half an hour later. The murderer escaped, and until within a few days has eluded the officers. Charles Grun, chief of the coal and iron police, at last succeeded in locating Gros at Palermo, Italy, and caused his arrest. Gros is now in jail at that place awaiting extradition.

Sir Charles Tupper Talks.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 16.—Sir Charles Tupper said yesterday that he still had hope that the fisheries commissioners would accomplish beneficial results. He expects from the language of the President, Secretary Fairchild and Speaker Carlisle that the free list of imports will be extended, and says that the Canadian government is already empowered to meet such concession half way.

Sporting News.

A joint benefit for Jack Dempsey and Johnny Reagan is contemplated. It would be a big affair.

The wrestling between Evan Lewis, the strangler, and William Conor is on, on account of the severe illnes of Lewis.

R. O. Foster, manager during the past season of the Minneapolis baseball team, has sold the franchise from the Western league, to W. E. Goodling, of Minneapolis, for $7,000.

Ira Paine has issued a challenge to Mr. F. E. Bennett, who last week beat all revolver records at the Walnut Hills range in Boston. Paine wants three different contests, for $1,000 each.

Jack McAuliffe is in Boston, and intends having a talk with Jem Carney about a fresh match. He says he will fight Carney for any amount of money in three months, and will go to England, if necessary, to meet him. Carney will probably ask him to cross the water.

Dempsey now owns the champion middleweight belt offered by Mr. Fox. There is some talk of backing Reagan against him again, this time Marquis of Queensbury rules, to a finish, but it is probably only talk. Nothing is likely to come of it, unless *club men should put up a purse for* such a contest.

The great and only John L. Sullivan had a big time in Cork yesterday. He was received with the greatest enthusiasm by a tremendous crowd, and of music, flags flying, and all that sort of thing. He visited Blarney castle, kissed the celebrated blarney stone, was presented with enough of Irish tweed to make him a suit of clothes, introduced to a bevy of Irish beauties, dined at a club, and sparred at night to a house packed from pit to dome at prices more than double the customary ones. He will never forget the lightest in place in the Auld Dart.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 16, 1887.

Bayles, Jas	Klepper, John
Bradey, Mr S	Kenny, Edward
Balerbett, Miss Auguste	Kaller, Joseph
Boardman, Miss E H	Lancht, Miss M
Baker, Miss S Louise	Lothrop, Miss
Berley Miss Anna (2)	Martin, Mrs Elizabeth
Bradley, Geo W	Mayhan, H D
Clasek, Oliver G H	Norton, S S
Culvan, Miss Alice	Nedham, John
Gray, Miss M	Smith Miss Minnie
Hanrahan, Miss Kate	Shyle, Miss May
Heorling, Mrs F O	Sloyen, John
Hohn, Miss Julie	Schoonmacker, Mrs G B
Helmer, Fredrick	Thompson, Miss A L
Height, Miss Katie	Williams, Miss Grace
Kiely, Mr.	Walker, H
Kilroy, Mrs E C	Wilson, R F

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W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

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WM. H. SHOTWELL.

Dec. 16th, 1887.

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TICKETS—ONE DOLLAR. For sale at the Drug Stores and by the Art Committee.

The number of tickets is limited to 200, owing to the small seating capacity of the Gallery.

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During the play Miss Pixley will introduce the following sparkling songs and medleys: "That Little Knot of Blue," "The Pixley Medley," "I'll Meet You D'ar," "The Language of Love," "The Wash-Tub Song," "The Drinking Song," "Jammo," etc. Tickets on sale at Field & Randolph's and J. G. Miller's Drug Stores, Friday, Dec. 16th. Prices as usual. 12-13-1d

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POWDERLY GIVES ADVICE

HIS FOURTH LETTER TO THE KNIGHTS OF LABOR.

Children Should Not Be Allowed to Work --Labor-Saving Machinery and Educational Questions Discussed.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—The fourth of the series of letters to the order of the knights of labor prepared by General Master Workman Powderly before he was taken sick this week is forthcoming in the *Journal of United Labor*. In this letter, which is quite lengthy, Mr. Powderly deals with child labor, the labor-saving machinery and educational questions. After vividly describing the misfortunes of the boys who work in the mines, Mr. Powderly says:

"The loss to the nation in all that makes up the useful citizen, the honest, active legislator and the brilliant statesman through child labor cannot be estimated. Go through the factories of the United States. Once the factories were all in the east; to-day they are everywhere. Examine for yourself and you will see that child labor has not been abolished, even though the law calls for it. Amid the dust of the mill, where the human voice cannot be heard above the roar of the machinery, with eyes almost *burning in their sockets*, you will find hundreds, thousands and tens of thousands of little boys and girls."

He argues that children under fifteen years of age should not be allowed to work. "When the man goes out of the factory door," he says, "the child takes his place and the work of progress goes on. So will it continue to be while machinery remains a slave to the few; so will it continue to be while the few hold possession of that which should bless the many. Do I rail against the machinery? No, I bless it, for in its busy hum do I hear the noise of a mighty power urging men and women on to the real progress, to that which will bring happiness and justice to the many without doing injury to the few. I see in the revolving wheels of machinery that which will work out the problem of labor's emancipation and make that for which men and woman pray, 'Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven,' seem nearer to mankind than it is to-day."

In another passage Mr. Powderly says: "I have urged it said that if we educate the masses we but enable them to see their misery; we make it possible for them to see their real condition in life; we make them disconted with the lot to which the Almighty God has called them, and in their discontent they will be apt to do harm to those who have more of the good things of earth than they possess. These objections do not spring from reason. They spring from prejudice. They have been handed down from the dark days of labor's thraldom and are unworthy of this enlightened age. The masses should not be in misery, and if they are they should not only know it, but they should know what remedy to apply. The real condition of every man should be known to himself first of all, that he may take steps to make it better. This is an age of progress, and the man with the paper cap must march along with the procession, or the procession will march to ruin. If the lot of the toiler is degraded, if it is bad, he should be made to see it, that in his discontent he may look about him for a chance to improve that lot. Discontent is the mother of progress."

The general master workman concludes his letter as follows:

"Knights of labor, trades unionists and friends of labor everywhere, bear these words in mind. Reforms to be lasting must be based on the intelligence of an educated people. It is not essential that they understand Greek and Latin, or that they be versed in the classics, but it is absolutely necessary to the well-being of a republic and the stability of its institutions that the people of all the land be educated. Let us adopt a means of maintaining the parents of the children, upon whose labor the parents depend for support, and place the children in the school-house. Other things can wait, but this all important question must be acted on. The time to act is now, and it is strictly in line with the obligation of every member of this order to work with all his power for the education of our children. The work of knighthood will be made easier through education. Fill the school-houses of to-day, that the poor-houses of the future may be tenantless."

MRS. ASTOR LAID TO REST.

A Large Number of Well-Known Persons Attend the Ceremonies.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—A choral funeral service was sung yesterday morning in Trinity chapel over the remains of Mrs. John Jacob Astor.

The procession consisted of 300 coaches and slowly wended its way to the chapel. A dozen footmen stood in front and near the chapel.

The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Potter, bishop of the Episcopal diocese of New York city, and the Rev. Dr. Swope, with a surpliced choir of twenty members, met the coffin at the chapel doors and preceded it down the center aisle, an immense throng following and completely filling up the body of the church.

The coffin was placed close to the lectern. Upon the black velvet pall which covered the coffin lay several wreaths of mingled immortelles and violets.

The coffin was of solid mahogany, with a massive silver plate inscribed as follows:

MRS. JOHN JACOB ASTOR.
Born in New York, 1825,
Died Dec. 12, 1887.

After a brief address Bishop Potter, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Swope, read the Episcopal service of the dead. The surpliced choir sang the response. The recessional was sung by Miss Harriet Beebe. The coffin was then lifted from the catafalque and conveyed down the middle aisle by eight men in verger's gowns.

The body was entombed in the Trinity cemetery.

The tomb is a granite stone structure, with a double array of clamps and fastenings. A pair of detectives have been hired to watch the tomb for several months.

Many prominent people were present.

Arrested as a German Spy.

LONDON, Dec. 16. Lucien Chatelain, a sergeant in a regiment of the line, quartered at Nice, has been arrested as a German spy. Chatelain had given to Josephine Grace, his mistress, a letter to the German counsel, offering to reveal to the German military authorities secrets connected with the letter rifle. This letter she did not deliver. The police also found a letter from Germany instructing Chatelain to send a second report relative to certain plans and fortifications, as the first were not understood. It is said that Germany paid Chatelain 200,000 francs for his information.

The Production of Anthracite.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—The official statement showing the production of anthracite for the year up to December 1 shows it to have been 31,572,932 tons, against 29,325,000 tons last year.

GREAT DISASTER IN CHINA

MILLIONS OF PEOPLE HOMELESS AND STARVING

The Yellow River Overflows its Banks and Submerges Eleven Cities With Fearful Loss of Life.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec 16.—The steamship City of Sydney arrived yesterday afternoon from Hong Kong and Yokohama. Chinese papers give details of a disaster occasioned by the Yellow river overflowing its banks in the province of Honan, and describe it as one of the most appalling occurrences in loss of life and property recorded in recent times. The river broke its banks on the evening of Sept. 28, southwest of the city Chingchow, and not only completely inundated that city but also ten other populous cities. The whole area is now a raging sea ten to thirty feet deep, where it was once a densely populated and rich plain. The former bed of the Yellow river is now dry, and the present lake was the bed of the river centuries ago. The loss of life is incalculable, and the statement is made by missionaries that millions of Chinese are homeless and starving.

Thomas Paton, one of the American missionaries, writing from the Honan province under date of October 28, says: "The newly gathered crops, houses, and trees are all swept away, involving a fearful loss of life. The country was covered with a fine winter growth, which is gone, and implies complete destruction to next year's crop. 'Bread, bread,' is the cry of thousands who are on the river bank.

"Benevolent people go in boats and throw bread among the masses here and there, but it is nothing compared with the requirements. The mass of people is still being increased by continual arrivals, even more hungry than the last. There they sit, stunned, hungry and dejected, without a rag to wear or a morsel of food. Mat huts are being erected for them. What it will be in two months I cannot conceive. The misery is increased owing to the bitter cold weather."

The Yellow river has long been known as "China's Sorrow," and the present disaster has served to reassert its right to the terrible title. As yet details of the disaster are very meagre. It has occurred in a district where but few foreigners live, and the reports, furnished by the officials and published in the Pekin *Gazette*, convey a very inadequate account of the extent of the loss of life and property, and the sufferings of the survivors. The governor in Honan reports to the emperor:

"Nearly all the people have been drowned in the district reached by the water, the suryivors being those who escaped by the high ground or took refuge in trees, where they remained until rescued."

The Chinese *Times*, in the province of Pe-Chihli, where disastrous inundations have occurred, says that the misery in that province is trifling as compared with that caused by the Hoang-ho, or Yellow river. The extent of ground swept over by the overwhelming flood is over 7,000 square miles, and the land thus submerged formed a part of one of the richest and most densely populated plains of northern China. The necessity for liberal aid, may, therefore, be imagined. Already considerable sums have been contributed to the relief of the sufferers.

The emperor of China has given two millions of taels, and the Chinese have started subscription lists in Shanghai, to which foreigners have liberally contributed.

Millions have been rendered houseless and entirely deprived of all chances of earning their livelihood, for their fields will either becom permanent lakes or uninhabitable swamps. It is feared that the distress which will be felt during the coming winter will equal in intensity the famine of ten years ago, when charitable donations contributed to from all parts of the world were utterly inadequate. It is said that owing to the action taken by the Yellow river it no longer flows toward the sea, but seems to be converting eastern Honan and northern Ngan-Hwei into a lake. It may ultimately flow into the sea through the Kiangon, or it may even possibly join the Yangtse-Kiang.

GOV. BODWELL DEAD.

Maine's Chief Executive Passes Away While Hopeful of Recovery.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 16.—Gov. J. R. Bodwell died at his home yesterday morning, of heart disease. He had been sick but a short time. Gov. Bodwell was born June 18, 1818, in that part of Methuen, Mass., now called Lawrence. His father, Joseph Bodwell, owned a farm on the mouth of the Spigot river. He was a most worthy man and his wife was a woman of refinement and exemplary character. Young Joseph was thrown on his own resources at the age of eight years; his father having, through unavoidable misfortune, lost his property. Being persuaded by a brother-in-law to commit the boy to his care, in this brother-in-law, Patrick Fleming, of Methuen, his son found a friend with whom he resided, and upon whose farm he labored until he reached the age of sixteen. The school of manuel labor in which he passed these formative years was precisely the one best fitted to qualify him for the peculiar success he has since so triumphantly achieved.

More Natural Gas.

ELMIRA, Dec. 16.—Yesterday morning gas was struck in the Bird Creek well, eight miles from this city, on the state line, at a depth of 400 feet. A vein of strong salt water was struck at the same time. Visitors flocked to the well yesterday afternoon from all directors. The well is on a hill, and if an oil well is developed it will be easy to pipe it into Elmira. Forty-two gentlemen, of Elmira and vicinity form the company sinking the well. They control hundreds of acres of land surrounding the well.

Miner's Wages to be Reduced.

DOVER, Dec. 6.—It is now positively stated that the wages of miners employed by the Glendon Iron company at Hibernia will be reduced, after January 1, from $1.50 to $1.25 per day. It is believed that the companies at Mt. Hope, Techo, Hurdtown and at various other places will follow the example of the Glendon company. The reason for this reduction is the increased cost of coal. It is promised that wages will go up again in the spring.

Ex-Senator Jones's Troubles.

DETROIT, Dec. 16.—A change must soon occur in ex-Senator Jones's method of living. It was learned yesterday that he had been told by the detective at whose house he is stopping and by the proprietor of the restaurant where he eats that after this week he must leave. This is a part of the scheme to force the senator to his senses.

Car Works Destroyed.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 16.—The Eastern Forge company's works at East Deering were burned this morning. The loss is estimated at $30,000.

ANNEXATION OF CANADA.

The St. John "Globe's" Open Advocacy Causes Great a Sensation.

HALIFAX, Dec. 16.—The St. John *Globe's* open advocacy of immediate annexation of Canada to the United States, as the simplest and best way to settle all difficulties between Great Britain and the great republic, has produced a great sensation in political circles in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The *Globe* is owned and edited by John Ellis, a member of the Canadian parliament for St. John City, and for many years its representative in the New Brunswick legislature, and one of the liberal party in eastern Canada.

After advocating annexation as the most practical solution of the whole question, commenting on the *Globe* article, the *Telegragh*, also a liberal organ, under the heading "The *Globe* Throws Off the Mask," says: "It is always best that the real sentiments of public men should be known, and so far the public is a gainer by the *Globe's* open confession. Seeing that these are, and we presume all along have been, Mr. Ellis's sentiment, it would have been more frank and manly had he avowed them sooner. He could not have been the candidate of the liberal party had he then openly avowed the sentiments now expressed. These views are not those of the liberal leaders or liberal party, and are utterly disowned by them. If Mr. Ellis were now to resign and put the sentiments of the St. John electorate to test, and could show that St. John is in favor of annexation, so much better for his scheme. If on the other hand, he has lost the confidence of his constituents, he ought to give up his seat."

The Halifax *Recorder*, organ of the Novia Scotia government, says: "If Sir John Macdonald became an annexationist to-day the tories would be wild with delight." The Halifax *Mail*, conservative, says: "Nothing now fills Ellis's soul with pleasure but talk of red-handed rebellion and the streaked and spotted flag of a neighboring nation and inciting such fools as he may be able to influence to join in a treasonable conspiracy."

THE "DRYS" ARE JUBILANT.

Probable Closing of All Saloons and Breweries in Iowa at An Early Day.

DUBUQUE, Dec. 15.—The prohibitionists of Iowa scored a great victory yesterday—a victory that foreshadows the closing up of all the saloons and breweries in the state at an early date.

Judge Shiras in pursuance of instructions received from Judge Brewer, remanded to the state courts all the liquor injunction cases before him. The liquor men and cold water apostles fully appreciate the widespread effect of Judge Brewer's order. It is the hardest blow ever struck at the beer and whisky traffic since the passage of the Clark law. The brewers hoped by sharp practice in the courts to practically nullify the law for many years.

A recent meeting of the Federal District court gave them hope that such injunction would be tried in said court separately, but they now fully realize their mistake.

The import of Judge Brewer's order is that hereafter all cases appealed from the state to the United States court will be promptly remanded. This renders impossible the indefinite postponement and delay of cases by appeal, and will result in bringing to a speedy test the virtue of the Iowa prohibitors law and that sentiment which sustains it. This also cuts away from the brewers all prospect of securing delays, through which public opinion might be shaped in their favor. When the cases reach the state courts they will be tried promptly, and by judges who generally speaking, favor the "dry" doctrine.

Chamberlain as a Diplomat.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The Baltimore *American*, commenting upon the fisheries negotiations, publishes the following paragraph which is given for what it may be worth, it being utterly impossible to elicit anything of an official character on the subject:

Mr. Chamberlain says that if the United States government will declare Behring's sea an open sea and allow the Canadians all rights there, and also pay the indemnity which they claim is due on the seizure of about twenty of the Canadian vessels during the last two years and which is estimated at $30,000, then the English and Canadian authorities will grant all the privileges asked for by the American fisherman on the eastern coast. Mr. Bayard and the American negotiators are thinking over the matter.

Granted Separate District Charters.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—At yesterday's meeting of the General Executive Board of the Knights of Labor a separate district charter was granted the Reading railroad employees, and they will hereafter be known as National District No. 224. The new charter will be taken by Messrs. Sharkey and Gleason to Elizabethport at once, that the district may be instituted by the employees' convention which meets at that place on Sunday next. Secretary Litchman has given assurance to a committee representing the organized garment cutters, it is said, that he will willingly issue the National District charter to their trade as soon as the requirements of the constitution are complied with, which will probably be soon.

Father Riordan Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Father John J. Riordan, who founded and conducted the mission and home for poor immigrant girls, is dead. He died at St. Vincent's hospital yesterday morning. He had been suffering for some time from bronchitis, and this added to a heart trouble caused his death. He had not been a really well man since a year ago, when he was a patient in St. Vincent's hospital with the malady that ended his days.

Chicago Archdiocesan Synod.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16. The first synod of the Catholic archdiocese of Chicago closed to-day. There were 200 priests in attendance, all being present at last mass in the cathedral of the Holy Name this morning. The venerable Archbishop Feehan, president of the synod, officiated. A new office of financial censurter, whose duty will be to act so with the archbishop on business matters, was created by the synod.

A Parcel Post with Canada.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 16.—A. W. McLean, postmaster general, left yesterday for New York. Mr. McLean's trip is undertaken with the object of forming a parcel post service between Canada and the United States. Negotiations between the two countries have been in progress for some time past. Mr. McLean will visit Washington before he returns in the interest of the same matter.

Prof. Quimby Ill.

HANOVER, N. H., Dec. 16.—Prof. E. T. Quimby, who for many years held the chair of mathematics at Dartmouth college, and for the last few years connected with the coast survey service, is seriously ill.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.35, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9.29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6.02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m. For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m, 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.29, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.27, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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POWDERLY WORSE.

Another Hemorrhage Yesterday Causes much Alarm Among His Friends.

SCRANTON, Dec. 15.—General Master Workman Powderly's condition last night was decidedly critical if not positively alarming. Since his return to his home here on Monday evening he has been very restless, and has slept but little. While Dr. Allen, his physician, has heretofore given a roseate coloring to Mr. Powderly's condition, he admited to a reporter this evening that his patient is worse than he was on Wednesday, and the fact that Mr. Powderly sufferred from another hemorrhage this afternoon has given his friends here great concern. The hemorrhages have made the patient very weak, and cause him intense pain in the chest and abdomen. Loss of sleep has made him extremely nervous, and every day that passes without improvement is a day counted against him. His physician was asked this question:

"Do you consider Mr. Powderly's condition serious?"

"Well, if he remains quiet for a few days and secures rest, I think he will recover," he answered.

This is not an assuring answer in the face of the recurring hemorrhage Wednesday. Tom O'Reilly, of New York, president of the telegraphers' union, remains at Mr. Powderly's house. He, with the the physician and members of the Powderly household, are the only persons who are permitted to see the patient.

An evening paper says that Powderly's attack was hemorrhage of the stomach and not of the lungs, as at first reported, and that he had a restless night and was worse yesterday.

OPIUM SMUGGLER ARRESTED.

A Celestial Who Would Not Allow Sparrow Fighting Engaged in the Traffic.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 16.—The treasury department has become satisfied that nowhere on the whole frontier is there so much smuggling, especially in opium, as in Detroit. It is a simple task to carry into the whole country whole loads of opium surreptitiously. The appearance at San Francisco and other California cities of consignments of opium which had not paid duty, and which in some cases bore counterfeit revenue stamps, assured the department of that.

Special agents were set at work and the shipments of opium were traced to Detroit. Terrence E. McDonough was given charge of the case. Several weeks of close watching with investigation pursued in Canada convinced him that several Detroit Chinamen were employed in the suspected traffic and that their masters were white men living in this city.

Yesterday one arrest was made of a Chinaman whose name is given by him as Joe Wood. So far there is little evidence against him. He has been considered one of the most respectable Chinamen in Detroit, and recently brought a libel suit against a Detroit paper for stating that he had permitted sparrow fighting in his house.

The Horse Obeyed the Corpse.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Dec. 16.—James Rankin, a young farmer living near here, started out on the morning of December 11 for a hunt in a sleigh. When he had reached a point in the woods about half a mile from his father's house his double-barrelled shotgun slipped off the seat, and in attempting to draw it toward him the hammers caught and both loads were discharged into his heart. His clothing caught fire with the flash and was burned off with the exception of the overshoes and a pair of felt boots. The remains were discovered yesterday lying in the sleigh about a quarter of a mile from the main road in the woods. His right hand still held the reins firmly and the horses were standing at the edge of a deep ravine. They had been without food since the accident occurred and had gnawed the sleigh tongue nearly in two.

Haunted by Fear of Poverty, She Died.

RACINE, Wis., Dec. 16.—The body of Mrs. W. H. Lathrop, who committed suicide by drowning here, has not yet been recovered, though men have been continually employed to drag the river. The circumstances in the case are very sad. Mrs. Lathrop was the wife of the president of the First national bank here, well-to-do and well connected. For a year or more she has been haunted by the hallucination that her husband was getting poor and that she and her family soon would have to go to the poor house. Sunday night her distress at this prospect was positively painful. Before anyone in her house was astir Monday morning she went out. Her footsteps were traced on the newly fallen snow to the river's edge.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

Mr. Gladstone will start on a tour to Venice on the 30th inst.

The business portion of Orange City, Volusia county, Fla., was burned. Loss $15,000.

A jail delivery occurred at Neuvo Laredo, Tex., and two murderers and two thieves made their escape.

G. F. McDonald's caramel factory, Pittsburg, was burned last night. Loss, $30,000; insurance, $15,000.

S. Dinnie, a whisky detective, shot and killed George Brown, a bartender of Port Perry, at Myrtle, Ont.

T. V. Burchbaum of St. Louis committed suicide at Ruffer's hotel, Louisville, by taking arsenic and chloroform.

The schooner Peregrine White of Gloucester has been lost in Hermitage Bay, Newfoundland. The crew were saved.

Gen Brisbin writes from Fort McKinney that the rabbits are becoming a plague in many portions of Idaho, Nevada and Wyoming.

A hotel was blown down Thursday in the new town of Cresent, Tex., and Mrs. Clementine Arnold and her 10-year-old daughter were killed.

Baggage Master Samuel Neill was crushed to death in a collision at Milford, Mass. George Westcott, a conductor on the same train, was also very badly cut about the head.

M. Wilson makes a general denial of the charges against him and claims that he has been the victim of plotters for the French presidency.

The anarchists of Chicago are preparing for a great demonstration on Sunday afternoon next at Waldheim cemetery, when the graves of those executed will have a public guard.

Margaret Sweeney, of Philadelphia, strangled her infant Wednesday morning. Charles Anders, whom she claims to be the child's father, has been arrested and locked up, being unable to furnish bail for his appearance.

John and Charles Carroll have been arrested at London, Ont., on suspicion of having murdered the latter's wife, who was found hanging in her husband's drying shed.

John Conroy, a prominent farmer of Tuscola, Ill., became violently insane, drove the preacher out of the pulpit, and cleared the house. He is now under guard.

Mrs. Fanny Husbands, wife of a well-to-do farmer of Smith county, Miss., was assaulted and robbed on the highway by a negro. The wretch cut out her tongue, but she was able to write his name, so that he would be arrested.

The Troublesome Twins.

There once were twins, two toddling things
Who looked like one another,
And just to tell which one was which
Was sometimes quite a bother,
For when you felt most sure of one,
He likely was the other.

Whether Ted was Tod, or Tod was Ted,
Sometimes caused apprehension,
And led to blunders and mistakes
Too numerous to mention,
Yet none were smart enough to find
A positive prevention.

If Ted, while playing in the barn,
Met with slight disaster,
They'd be sure, in their alarm,
To clap on Tod the plaster;
They'd give Ted oil when Tod was sick,
And Tod got well no faster

One of them died—they ne'er knew which—
And then came consternation!
How could they put upon the stone
A bald prevarication?
They simply carved on it "T—D,"
And closed the discussion.

—*Frank L. Stanton, in Sunshine.*

A "Cane Rush" Student.

We packed a big trunk with his togs and his books,
And we went with him down to the train;
There was Latin and Greek in his merry-wise looks,
And our pride was as great as our pain.

The swift train snatched him away from our sighs,
But we knew he'd come back by and by,
With scholarship, honor, and medal, and prize,
For hope and ambition were high.

They brought him back home, a week and a day—
And the doctor who brought him said,
"Hush!"
For the side of his ear had been rustled away,
His eyes they were blacked and his nose went astray,
Two ribs were stove in, did the doctor man say,
And his legs they were bent in a corkscrewish way.
"Collission!" we shrieked; but he shook his head, "Nay."
And smiled as he whispered: "Cane rush."

—*Robert J. Burdette.*

My Boy Still.

Do you think I've forgotten the day
I carried him at my breast?
Many fair children I've loved since then,
But I think that I loved him best,
For he was our first born child, John,
And I have not the heart, or will,
To love him less; whatever may come
He's my boy still!

I remember when he was a little lad,
How he used to climb on my knee;
How proud we were of his beauty,
Of his wit and his mimicry,
And I know quite well he's a man now,
With a will and a stubborn will;
But whatever he is to you, John,
He's my boy still!

He was just like sunshine about the house,
In the days of his happy youth:
You know we said that with all his faults
He had courage and love and truth,
And though he has wandered far away,
I'd rather you'd say no ill;
He is sure to come back to his mother;
He's my boy still.

I know there was never a kinder heart,
And I can remember to-day
How often he went with me apart
And knelt at my knee to pray.
And the man will do as the boy did,
Sooner or later he will;
The Bible is warrant for that; so
He's my boy still.

A mother can feel where she can't see,
She is wiser than any sage;
My boy was trained in the good old way,
I shall certainly get my wage,
And though he has wandered far away,
And followed his wayward will,
I know whatever, wherever he is,
He's my boy still!

—*Indianapolis News.*

A Lost Day.

Where is the day I lost—
The golden day
Beyond all price and cost,
That slipped away

Out of my wandering sight,
My careless hold?
Where did it flit in flight
Its wings of gold?

What were the treasures rare
It bore from me?
What were the pleasures fair
I shall not see?

Ah, never day was yet
So fine, so fair,
So rich with promise set,
So free from care,

As that we mourn and sigh
When we do say:
"Alas, how time doth fly
I've lost a day!"

—*Nora Perry, in N. Y. Independent.*

Song of Content.

I wouldn't be bothered with wealth
And the care that its keeping attends,
But I want what is richer—good health,
And a bevy of bonny good friends.

I choose not to grieve o'er the past—
What is Grief but the soul of Decay?
Let me live on Life's joys while they last—
What is Life but the stretch of a day?

Away with Ambition!—a dream—
A shadow that shrinks with the light;
Or a bubble that, born on the stream,
Lives a moment, then bursts from the sight.

But give me Content—'tis a crown
No'er the kings of the earth yet possessed—
And the prince and the courtier and clown,
If they wish, they may take all the rest.

—*Joseph Whittin, in Chaser.*

A Charmed Life.

Across the drugget the baby creeps,
The baby that knows no cares—
And the awful direction that he keeps
Leads right to the hard, steep stairs.

Sometimes he climbs on the window-sill,
Where a fall his neck would break;
From any bottle he drinks his fill—
Not the same from a spoon he'd take.

He sticks his hands in the bull-dog's eyes
And into the horse's nose;
The table-knife on his hand he tries,
And kicks his face with his toes.

Oh, thus does the baby run his race,
And I'm sure his soul would chafe
If he ever happened to get in a place
Where his life would be really safe.

—*Harper's Bazar.*

An Old Man's Sorrow.

"Alas!" the old man sighed, with bended head,
"What brilliant dreams of life have come and fled;
"How have I yearned for fame, and o'er and o'er
"Spent sleepless nights in searching burning lore,
"And now in weary age, I simply find
"Folks say, 'he is a man of brilliant mind,
"'He's deeply read in philosophic books,
"'And mathematics with its turns and crooks,
"'To him is like a volume all unsealed,
"'It's pages opened, and it's truths revealed.
"'The books he writes are read by learned men,
"'Who wait impatient while he wields his pen.'
"But this, alas, no music has for men,
"When greater men on every hand I see.
"Oh! why on knowledge did I waste my all,
"Instead of learning how to play base-ball."

—*Merchant Traveler.*

Young Mrs. Russle
Went to her bustle,
To get her fine diamonds hid there;
But, sad to relate,
Her sorrow was great.
When she found that her bustle was bare.

THE RABBIT PLAGUE.

A Question Which Agitates Our Antipodean Cousins.

A Great Reward Offered for a Sure-Death Rabbit Exterminator—The Duties of "Rabbiters" in the English Colonies of Australia.

The proclamation in the New York papers of a recent date that Messrs. R. M. Cameron & Co., of New York, are authorized on the part of the English colony of New South Wales to pay the $125,000 reward to any one who shall devise an effectual method of exterminating the rabbits there, will undoubtedly make the rodent question an object of study to Americans.

The rabbit question, as it exists to-day and has for the last fifteen years existed in the English colonies in the antipodes, says the New York *Sun*, perhaps threatens the prosperity of those jewels of the British crown as much as any other one thing. The natural conditions there are peculiarly favorable to the rabbit, and they propogate with a rapidity exceedingly undesirable in a pastoral country, where the population is not sufficiently great to keep their numbers under. If New South Wales were on Long Island or in New Jersey it would, perhaps, not be necessary to offer a reward for the extirpation of the pest, as in that case the pot hunters from New York would undoubtedly exterminate the species in a season or two, but in Australia and New Zealand, overrunning, as they do, vast tracts of sparsely settled country only used for the pasturing of sheep, they have become so numerous that in many cases the runholders feel as if their runs were devoted to rabbits instead of wool and mutton.

For years back in Australia and New Zealand the owners of stations, as the ranches are called there, have been in the habit of employing "rabbiters" to hunt down and destroy the pest. These men are given guns, ammunition and a whare, or roughly built hut, to live in. Their "tucker," another colonialism, which means food, is also supplied them by their employer, and, in addition, they are either paid so much a head for each rabbit killed or draw a regular salary. In the former case the price ranges from two to four cents in our money. The rabbiter has to take off and dry the skin of every rabbit worth it, and turn it over to his employer as evidence of the death of the animal. The market value of these skins there is four or five cents each, so that the proprietor nearly recoups himself for the pay of the rabbiter. When the rabbit is so young that the pelt is worthless, the hunter receives the same price, but is obliged to produce the ears as evidence of his work. When he rabbits on a salary he gets from six dollars to fifteen dollars a week, according to the efficiency of his labor.

The work is of the most arduous kind. The places, particularly in New Zealand, where the rabbits most abound, are hilly in the extreme, and they scarcely deign to speak of any thing as hilly in that Little Britain that would not be called precipitous anywhere else. The animals can be hunted with success only at the earliest dawn and in the twilight. As snow scarcely ever falls over there, except in the mountain ranges, the method of tracking them is impracticable. So the rabbiter rises an hour before daybreak, lights his fire, and cooks and eats his breakfast. After this he sallies forth with his gun, shovel—for he has occasionally to dig into burrows—and pack of dogs, consisting of ten or fifteen yelping curs of all breeds and sizes, from Newfoundlands to black and tan terriers. Going over those hills at breakneck speed in the attempt to save half a dozen rabbits' skins from being mangled by as many different dogs is not romantic, and three or four consecutive hours of it are enough to give the most enthusiastic his fill. Each rabbit is skinned as soon as taken, almost by a turn of the wrist, and the pelt distended inside out by the insertion of an elastic twig bent double. These skins are then all taken to the wharf and hung around on bushes to dry. While drying in the hot sun they fill the whole neighborhood with a terrific stench, and any one coming on to a rabbiter's camp from the leeward is aware of the fact half a mile off.

When thoroughly dried the pelts are packed in bundles containing twenty-five each, and carried to the station, where the rabbiter receives his pay. The skins are manufactured into various articles of wearing apparel, notably hats, and not unfrequently are dyed to imitate the more expensive furs, when they bring a very fair price. The meat, although not badly flavored, is seldom eaten, at least in the neighborhoods where they abound, though the carcasses bring twenty-five cents a piece very readily in the larger cities.

On a desirable station rabbiting is not an unprofitable job. One man made £1,500 per annum at it for three successive years on a New Zealand run.

On some stations they do not employ rabbiters, but "lay poison" instead. This process, if more efficient—which is doubtful—is more than equally expensive, because it takes a good deal of money spent in labor and material to have poison thoroughly laid over a run of fifteen or twenty thousand acres, and then the skins are not preserved.

It is not optional with the station-holders in New South Wales and New Zealand to kill rabbits. They are compelled by law to either poison them or employ rabbiters. Every district has a rabbit inspector, who is appointed by the colonial Government and paid a liberal salary for seeing that each owner of land does what is incumbent upon him to keep down the numbers of the pestilent animals.

Altogether the poor covey doesn't have an easy life of it. The birds of the air smite him. Many and many a time one comes across his little body stretched stark and stiff on the hill side, with a great hole bored in its side by the beak of a hawk. All carnivorous animals snap him up ruthlessly, and the hand of man is set against him in bitter and undying enmity. One man in New Zealand bought five hundred or six hundred domestic cats, and set them loose upon his estate three years ago. He has very few rabbits now, but cats are plentiful, and cat hunting is a favorite sport with him. For years back ferrets have been imported largely from the mother country and let run wild. The experiment, however, is not looked upon with general favor, as it is said that the ferrets, though not breeding so rapidly as the rabbits, thrive sufficiently well to make their increase a matter of danger to the sheep whom they occasionally attack.

Romance in Real Life.

There was a quiet wedding at the residence of Peter D. Kellogg, in South Bloomfield, N. Y., a short time ago. Twenty-six years ago John W. Russell left Helen Sherman to fulfill his duty as a soldier, and passed a year and a half in Andersonville. He subsequently went to Chicago, where he made $35,000 in the grain business, and afterward moved to Portland, Ore., where he made $300,000 or more. When in Chicago recently he saw the card of Miss Sherman, announcing that she was a music teacher at South Bloomfield, N. Y. He arrived there a few days ago, and now they are married.

FRAGMENTS OF HISTORY.

By the Royal Marriage act passed in England in 1772 none of the descendants of George III., under twenty-five years of age could marry without the King's consent, and the consent of Parliament was necessary after that age.

In the year 1717 the "Vinegar Bible" was issued from the Clarendon press of Oxford University. The name was derived through an error, in the heading to the twentieth chapter of St. Luke, making the "Parable of the Vineyard" read "Parable of the Vinegar."

Victor Hugo once made a pun in verse to King Louis Philippe for the life of a condemned man, whose life had on a previous occasion been refused him. The poet in his verse brought to the King's heart and mind incidents connected with the death and birth of his daughter and her child, and the effect was the granting of the petition.

In regard to oaths in testimony this is related: In England people used to kiss their thumbs instead of the Bible. In the Middle Ages people swore by the touch of relics. The invading Danes in England held most sacred a certain ring or armlet. Hamlet and his friends laid their hands on their sword blades, and in Homer Zeus swears by the earth with his hand on that planet.

At one time the handkerchief was a tabooed article in France. It is said it was even beyond the glaring of an actress to display one on the stage. This state of things was reversed by the Empress Josephine who began carrying a costly lace affair which, it is said, she constantly raised to her lips to conceal her bad teeth. After this the handkerchief rapidly rose in favor.

In the day of Pliny, according to his writings, there were some great wine drinkers. Among them was Torquatus who was knighted by Tiberius Claudius about the beginning of the Christian era with the title of Tricongius, or the three-gallon knight, because he could drink three gallons of wine at one draught. It is said of Caius Posi, during the reign of Tiberius, that he would sit for two days and nights drinking almost without intermission.

More than three centuries and a half have passed away since the broken heart of Christopher Columbus was laid at rest in Valladolid. Here his remains reposed for eleven years, when they were taken to Seville. In 1537 they were moved thence to the island of Hayti. Over 250 years after San Domingo claimed the bones, where for a short time they remained until shipped back to Havana. The last interment occurred in 1795 and now another resurrection is imminent.

A comprehensive account of the Aaron Burr trouble is given in the following brief form: The duel between Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr, in which the former was killed, was fought in 1804. It was not until three years later (1807) that Burr was tried for treason, in attempting to establish a government of his own in the Mississippi Valley. He was arrested at Natchez, and tried at Richmond. His acquittal was on the ground that he had not borne arms against the United States.

The origin of the Goddess of Liberty upon the United States coins is thus recounted: When the United States Mint was first established, Mr. Spencer cut an exact medallion of Mrs. Washington, the wife of General Washington, and the first few coins were struck with her portrait. When General Washington saw them he was displeased, and requested the figure to be removed. Mr. Spencer altered the features a little, and putting a cap upon its head, called it the Goddess of Liberty.

Among the culinary items of the Germans of the middle ages the goose was foremost on grand occasions. They also ate crows, storks, cranes, herons, swans and bitterns—these last-named dishes being arranged in a circle of honor around the goose. The geier, or European vulture, the dogfish, the dolphin, and even the whale, were eaten; while a roast gainapig was considered a very great delicacy. All their foods were highly spiced; and sauces were endless in their variety, three or four kinds being served up with each dish.

INTERESTING VARIETY.

Sawdust has little, if any, fertilizing value by itself, but it is a splendid absorbent, and after having been used for bedding horses and cattle contains very much that is valuable to the soil and may then be considered excellent manure.

A young man was lately arrested in Boston for wearing female attire, and it was ascertained that for sixteen years he had worn no other. He was adopted when eight years old by a family who never knew his true sex. His hair had grown as long as a girls and he wore a number four shoe.

The introduction of anæsthetics has been one of the greatest boons that science has conferred upon man. It has relieved and obviated incalculable suffering, and has made possible a development of conservative and constructive surgery whose results in preserving and prolonging life are little short of marvelous.

The paper bags that are generally thrown out may be turned to good account. They may be filled with kindlings for the morning's fire and by their use much litter may be avoided. The noise in filling a stove with coal, so painful to an invalid, may be avoided by filling the bags with coal and thus placing them in the stove.

Common laces need not be cast aside when soiled. Remove them from the garment and soak for an hour or more in a hot suds made from white castile soap. Rub carefully in the hands, and add a little clear starch. Pull gently into shape while damp, and iron between flannels and on the wrong side with a moderately hot iron.

A lady of South Orange, N. J., sent her shoes to the shoemaker to have them stretched one day recently. Upon inserting his hand into one of the shoes the cobbler came upon a small bag containing several valuable diamond ornaments. When the shoemaker returned the jewels he was informed that the lady often put valuables in her shoes for safe keeping.

An account from Waterbury, Conn., tells of a queer hiding place an old man had for his money. Upon the death of the old man, which occurred lately, his money could not be found on his premises. Subsequently some squirrel hunters discovered a small box in the fork of a tree which was found to contain several thousand dollars in bank notes. The squirrel had converted the hoard into a nest.

It is never safe to enclose an old bill in an envelope to be sent by mail. Men who are experts can tell whether a letter contains money or not simply by the sense of smell. If you will notice an old greenback, it has a peculiar smell about it that can readily be perceived, even if it be enclosed in a letter. It is better to send a registered letter or a postal note, or, if you enclose a bill, be sure it is a new one. That will not smell.

More farmers fail from attempting too much in stock without sufficient experience than from any other one cause. They maintain altogether too many animals of poor to medium quality. It is better to have only one good cow than to have two or three medium ones. The one animal will leave the farmer a chance to devote his time and land to some more profitable purpose, while the man overstocked with poor animals finds that they absorb and eat every thing he grows

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BY THE WAY.

—The annual meeting for the election of officers of the Middlesex Gun Club, will be held at Force's Hotel, this evening.

—Little Mollie E. Noel, a daughter of Special Policeman Noel, has won three handsome prizes at the blass blowers exhibition.

—Services to-morrow in the Trinity Reformed church at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. The pastor's subject in the evening will be, "Without or Within."

—The State Board of Assessors will hear complaints from the railroad companies in reference to the tax assessments on their property on Monday next.

—Officer Lynch yesterday moved his family into the apartments at the station house, recently vacated by ex-Chief Dodd. The place has been thoroughly renovated and fixed up.

—Services in the Park Avenue Baptist church to-morrow. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Asa Reed Dilts, at 10:30 a. m., and 7:45 p. m. Theme of the evening sermon: "Pure Religion."

—The Rev. J. B. Cleaver will preach Sunday night at Cutter's Hall. Subject: "Backsliding; its cause; its curse; its cure." All are welcome, beginning at 7:30 with a service of song. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

—Justice Wadsworth on Wednesday rendered judgment in favor of the plaintiff, in the case of Baily *vs.* Potter brought to recover the value on a note. The judgment awarded the plaintiff $190, and included the costs of the prosecution.

—All the carpenters, masons and laborers employed on the new brick building, now in course of construction on Grove street, were laid off on Thursday morning, on account of an undiscovered mortgage on the property of $23,000, to which THE PRESS alluded some time since.

—A grand band concert will be given in The Crescent, Thursday evening, Jan. 26. A full brass band of thirty-five pieces will present a choice programme of selected music in the early part of the evening, to be followed by a public ball with an orchestra of twenty stringed instruments.

—Since THE PRESS presented Mrs. Jackson's deserving case before the public, she is receiving assistance and succor every day. We wish we were permitted to publish the names of those who have so generously contributed towards her comfort. But the truly charitable are as modest as they are sincere.

When Santa Claus scoots
Down the brick-bordered shoots,
It's the chimney that soots,
Not St. Nicholas.
But at Collier's one sees
Christmas goods, "just the cheese,"
All suited to please
And to tickle us.

—"Christ, our All," Col., 3:11; Eph., 1:19-23, will be the subject for consideration at the Y. M. C. A. meeting on Monday evening. Mr. A. C. LaBoyteaux, whose experience well qualifies him for such work, has been secured to conduct this service. Good singing, short talks, and a hearty welcome to all men.

—Rev. J. L. Hurlbut, D. D., gave a most interesting and instructive blackboard talk at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening. The presentation of the Four Gospels in his usual happy and graphic style producing evidently a lasting effect upon the mind of the young, and tending greatly to increase their interest in the study of the Gospels.

—This morning the North Plainfield Council notified the Electric Light Company to remove their poles and wires from the streets of the Borough within twenty days, but that will not prevent those in search of holiday presents from finding Doane's jewelry store, where they will see the largest assortment of the best goods for the least money to be found in Plainfield.

A Book By Plainfield Historians.

Realism in literature seems to have at last reached its climax, and the disciples of the intensely actual will greet with gratification a volume just fresh from the pens of Mr. Oliver B. Leonard and William C. Hubbard of this city—collaborators who therein make their *debut* in the fascinating fields of literary authorship. The book reached us through the medium of the martyred minions of a governmental postal service, with "four cents due." But a perusal of its intensely alphabetical chapters, a diving into its intricately statistical plot, and a thrilling experience of its mathematically sensational climaxes fills our reviewer to the brim with satisfaction that the book is worth the price.

No such instructive volume has issued from the press within the memory of the oldest chestnut of our cultured community. It aims to teach and teaches much of interest to us all. Those of every previous condition of servitude in our midst will find something of personal value, advantage and use in its pages. It may not be wildly sort for midnight reading by lady seminary students thirsting for roseate pen pictures of love lorn cavaliers and damsels melting with sentiment, but who can calculate its inestimable value to a deputy sheriff with a score of writs to serve.

Throughout it all is apparent a marked subserviency of romance to realism. The thingness of the here is therein attained —every time—no matter where you sit. In ancient historical romances a fascinating glamour is made to tone with sentiment a coldness of detail by a fictitious warping of facts, and by even an excusable ignoring of too utter truth. These litterateurs, however, truckle not to infidelity—they aim at verity and ring the bell. Wherein precision is the target, they make twenty-two out of a possible seven; and Mr. Leonard, assisted by Mr. Hubbard, embraces the whole bakery—excepting, probably, the proprietor's wife—for exactness of fact. All of which commendation is sincerity itself by a large majority.

The book opens with a fair and thorough treatise on thoroughfares. It gives their number and their numbers—including their termini as a fit introduction to their populi who follow. Thus in the beginning let there be light, and there is light, upon the scene where the tale is located. We are at once introduced to Miss Charlotte Road and the Misses Rose and Elizabeth Street. There is much told of interest in relation to them not found in the text books of our High School or other colleges. Messrs. Milton and Irving Place, with Mr. Monroe Avenue, also are prominent in the opening chapter. As the reader wanders deeper into the story of the book, however, he is awe struck by the very breadth of it. Beginning at the creation of man, the book tells of ten Adams and three Mrs. Adams, and then on through the existence of five Anthonys (but no mention of frivolous Cleopatra). The piscatorial disciple will be interested in accounts of Bass and other Fish, and the mighty nimrod will read with pleasure of Lyons, Birds, Coons, Cranes, a Fox, a Lamb and a Wolfe. Astronomers will learn something to startle them in the record of three Moons and three Mars. Winter, Frost and Furr are spoken of, and though only one reference to a France is made, the French are recorded in numbers. There are four different Berrys besides a Dusenbury; and twenty churches of all denominations, not including a Frank Church. The book tells of a Pope and a Bishop, with Squires, Kings, Knights, Monks, a Peer, a Boss and other Powers. Of the many characters, two Praed, and an equal number Prays. Two Prices are spoken of and besides Silver we learn of a Penny and twelve Pounds. In colors are mentioned Brown, Gray, Green and White. Burns but no scars are referred to, and Burrs but no chestnuts. There are Buttons and Cannons, Bushes and Cooks, one Joy and many Darlings. There is a Carver who may be, as stated, a blacksmith; but surely it is a slight error in calling Daniel Webster a harness maker. There are Taylors, Slaters, Weavers and Butschers among the *dramatis personnæ*, besides Messrs. Schnellendruessler and Roughtenhausen. Strange to say although the characters of the story are so many yet only three are Neighbors; and although they dwell amid Marshs and Myers, no sickness is chronicled. Two female Benedicts are told of, and a Lude man who follows the art of plasterer. Gambling is only referred to once. The tale tells of five thousand people, yet the book has only two Pages.

As we close this necessarily casual review of a most complete work, we must again strongly endorse it as nearer perfection than anything of the kind before published in this city. At last Plainfield has a Directory it can depend on, containing the names of a great many it is an honor to count among our citizens, and of a great many who should rejoice at the privilege they possess of residing in Plainfield.

—If you take the trouble to have your cellars securely closed against all penetrating cold you will be well repaid by increased comfort all over the house and a noticeable saving of fuel.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Rev. E. M. Rodman, rector of Grace Church, will address the Reform Club meeting to-morrow evening.

The funeral of the late Insley Boice, who died on Thursday evening, will take place from his late residence near New Brooklyn, on Tuesday, at 11 a. m.

Rev. Dr. Ketcham, pastor of the First Presbyterian church will exchange pulpits with Rev. Mr. Schenck of the Trinity Reformed church, to-morrow morning.

In the selection of Mr. John S. Fields of Bound Brook, for Fish Warden of Somerset county, to succeed John S. Bishop, deceased, the Fish Commissioners of the State have made a wise selection. Violators of the fisheries laws will have reason to dread the new Warden.

Miss Lizzie Roseter, entertained a few of her friends at a party given at her residence, No. 8 Peace street, last evening. The young people, sixteen in number, spent a pleasant evening together. Games, refreshments, etc., were included in the programme.

Besides other original works of art that Mr. George Wharton Edwards has contributed towards the coming Loan Exhibition at the Public Art Gallery, a tastefully conceived and executed vignette adorns the corner of the envelope in which are enclosed the tickets of admission for the "first view."

The funeral services over the remains of the late Theodore Vail, who died suddenly on Wednesday, took place at the Hicksite meeting house this afternoon and was conducted according to the established custom of Friends. A large number of mourners gathered to pay their last sad respects to the deceased.

The young society people of this city will have their hands full during the latter part of the present month. Three society events will take place as follows: On Dec. 27th, a party at Miss Hunter's on Union avenue; Dec. 28th Miss Streuli of Prospect and Hillside avenues, will entertain her friends, and on Dec. 29th Miss May Sandford of West Seventh street will give a party.

The Service of Song.

In our Thursday's issue we gave a complete vocal programme compiled by ourselves, of the service of song at Crescent Avenue church, to-morrow evening. Our day-late contemporary copied it in full in its Friday's issue. We give below further particulars of the service, however, which the Plainfield *Evening Chestnut* won't be able to republish before next Monday.

The organ selections by Miss Utter will be, besides her artistic accompaniments, two solos—a processional and a recessional. The first will be Batiste's 1st offertoire, "St. Cecile," C minor; the second will be Gounod's "Grand Marche Cortege." There will be responsive reading and hymns by the congregation, and the Rev. Mr. Richards will deliver a short sermon from Second Kings, II: 11.

Chief Carey.

For the information of the papers that stated that the Common Council, last Monday evening, appointed Mr. T. J. Carey, Chief of Police of this city, we would say that the Police Board at Mayor Male's house, *Thursday* evening, designated Councilman Carey to act in that capacity. He is now serving the city as Chief of its police force and as Councilman. Mr. Carey, himself, tells us, as we stated a few days ago, that he will probably not resign as Councilman until he has voted on the granting of licenses and other questions of importance to his constituents.

Hand In Hand for Temperance.

The Executive Committee of the Reform Club, and the lady managers of the W. C. T. U., met in Reform Hall, last evening, and decided on arrangements for the coming year that will continue to be of mutual advantage to the two associations, and to the advancement of the cause they both support. The W. C. T. U., at the same time re-leased the Hall for the purposes of their Sunday services and for such lectures and public entertainments as they may give.

—Alert Hose Company has disposed of one of its carriages to a Philadelphia firm. It was shipped yesterday.

—Two men were arrested in North Plainfield this morning for being drunk and quarreling on the streets. They are now in "durance vile," awaiting sentence.

—It is intended to ask the next Legislature to pass a bill providing for the exemption from taxes for those firemen who have served seven years in any fire department in the State. That will put them upon an equal footing with the National Guard of the State.

—The question has been asked whether the thoroughfare, running East and West, South of the railroad, is known as West Fourth street or "Mud Lane." We give it up, but the writer can vouch for the fact that the single load of crushed stone which the Street Commissioner put on that street during the Summer has sunk into oblivion.

The Rahway Murder.

The village of Summit furnishes the latest clew toward solving the Rahway murder mystery. Suspicion has been fastened on John P. Carroll, a painter from that place, who in May last was sentenced by Judge McCormick to ten years in State Prison for attempting an assault upon a female. The Judge in passing sentence said Carroll was none too good to commit an offence like the Rahway murder, provided he got a chance, and some people were disposed to believe at the time that he was the murderer. A bundle of cothes, spotted with what appeared to be blood, was found hidden in a stone fence near Summit, recently, and some do not believe the explanation advanced that the spots were not blood, but red paint. Charles W. Faitoute, of Summit, went to Detective Keron's office at Elizabeth, yesterday, taking with him a handful of small staples such as painters use on window blinds, which were found near the spot where the clothes were discovered. This, it is thought, conclusively proved that the clothing belonged to a painter and form a chain in the link connecting Carroll with the ownership of the clothing and may lead to more important discoveries.

Little Workers' Fair.

The parlor sale and fair of the "Little Workers," which has been in progress during the past two days at the residence of Miss Nettie Randall on Madison avenue, closed last evening. The attendance both days was good and the financial result is most gratifying to those having the matter in charge. Mr. David Snediker acted in the capacity of cashier, and the following ladies were actively engaged in the fair: Mrs. D. Snediker, Mrs. John Van Dyke, Mrs. Charles Randolph, Mrs. David W. Rogers, the Misses Annie Miller, Lillie Force, Lizzie Brooks, Nettie Randall, Clara Ward, Maud VanDyke, Etta Howland, Angie Feytel, Lulu Snediker, Minnie Arnold, Mary Brokaw, Bessie Brower. Masters Burt Littell, Frank Howland and Geo. Snediker assisted the ladies. Besides the numerous articles offered for sale, a delightful supper was furnished for a small sum. About $100 was realized from the fair, which amount will be devoted to paying off the mortgage on Trinity Reformed church.

A Deacon's Daughter.

Miss Annie Pixley will produce her comedy-drama, in four acts, "The Deacon's Daughter," written for her by Mr. A. C. Gunter, at Music Hall next Monday night.

The text is a curious mixture of platitudes and brightness; of fatuous crudity and frequent clever outbreaks of genuine humor. In point of construction it shows especial skill. It is well adapted for the purpose of bringing into prominence the talents of Miss Pixley. This excellent and versatile artist enacts the heroine with great vivacity and with a sprightly humor and a lively force that are both pleasing and entertaining in effect. She sings a number of pretty songs with skill and good taste, and despite the inartistic character of the play, imparts to it a decided interest whenever she is on the stage.

He Got Thirty Days.

Patrick Newell of East Fourth street abused his wife last night, and attempted to break up housekeeping. After demolishing a quantity of the furniture and while he was performing the second act in his little play, Officers Grant and McCue appeared as spectators at two a. m., and placed the man under arrest. As usual in such cases, the trouble originated by the excessive use of "Dutch influence," which has on other occasions been the means of getting him into trouble. This morning he was sentenced to the County Jail for thirty days, and Chief Carey performed his first official duty this afternoon by taking him there.

Plainfield Excels St. Louis.

Mr. Rufus E. Moore of the New York Museum of Art, is the greatest authority of the age on antique porcelain, cloisonne enamel, and ceramic art in general. He spent a day in Plainfield, last week, and was so charmed with the Schoonmaker collection that is to be exhibited at the Art Gallery, that he has gratuitously offered his services in the work of preparing a catalogue that will describe in detail the specimens exhibited. Mr. Moore highly congratulated Plainfield on its public Gallery, which he says is not equalled even in so large a city as St. Louis.

Dedication of Bethel Chapel.

As announced exclusively in THE PRESS of last Tuesday, the new chapel that has just been completed for Bethel Mission, at the corner of East Fifth and Washington streets, will be publicly dedicated tomorrow. The usual lessons of the afternoon will be omitted, and the dedicatory services will begin at three o'clock. An address will be delivered by the Rev. Mr. Richards, and probably brief remarks from other pastors of the city. Singing by the scholars will be a part of the exercises.

—Incendiary fires in this city are not so frequent as they were a few months ago.

The Coal War in Elizabeth and Rahway.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—I have noticed in your valued paper the controversy going on in Plainfield between the people and the *coal ring* of your town, and I also notice that one firm of coal dealers (Hetfield Bros.,) have the moral courage to stand up like men and fight heroically, not only for their own rights, but also for the rights of the people, especially the poor, who have not the means to lay in a Winter's supply of coal during the Summer. From the facts that have been revealed it seems there has been a concerted action on the part of the so-called Coal Exchanges (which savors very much of conspiracy) in Plainfield, Rahway, Elizabeth and other places, to *squeeze* the people, and if anyone attempted to do a coal business contrary to the views of these monopolists, and to give the people coal at reasonable prices, they were immediately sat down upon and efforts made (which have been more or less successful) to prevent their getting coal. In Rahway there was one man who desired to supply the people with cheap coal (Mr. Dunham,) and he was attacked by the ring, who tried to stop his business and even prevented him from getting coal in Cranford and Woodbridge. At last Mayor Daly and a charitable society took up the fight of the poor against the extortionists—with what success I have not yet learned. Here in Elizabeth the same state of affairs exist; there is one man here fighting the "combine"—Mr. Morrell—and from present appearances he will win. The people are with him to uphold his hands, and justice is likely to prevail.

FAIR PLAY.

Elizabeth, N. J., Dec. 16, 1887.

Improvements at the Scott Press Works.

Messrs. Walter Scott & Co., have recently put in their works extensive appliances for the prevention of fire, and for extinguishing the same. Where there is so much valuable machinery which would be difficult to replace if destroyed, this seems a wise precaution, especially when we consider that our fire department is somewhat crippled at present. Stand pipes are run through the building, which are connected with a powerful steam pump and also with a large iron tank which holds 4,000 gallons of water. To these pipes 2½ inch hose are connected, 300 feet on each floor and also on the roof. Automatic fire sprinklers placed ten feet apart on the ceilings and roofs, are connected by pipes with the water tanks. These sprinklers open at a temperature of 165 degrees and throw a spray over an area of 20 feet in diameter. Cast iron boxes have been placed at convenient distances for collecting oily waste and materials which easily ignite. Buckets "for fire only" filled with water, have been placed through the buildings. The firm has also put in operation one of the "American watchman's detectors." This instrument records on a dial in the office the time and place at which the watchman has been in certain parts of the building during the night. Besides these precautions against fire, electric call bells and annunciators connecting with the several buildings have been introduced.

Mrs. McNair Still Missing.

Nothing has yet been heard from Mrs. William McNair of Scotch Plains, who jumped through a window to escape the brutal treatment of her drunken husband on Monday evening. Yesterday afternoon a searching party was organized and the pond of John Spencer was dragged, but no traces was found of Mrs. McNair or her babe. The excitement at Scotch Plains is great, and many persons believe that the woman and child are both dead. While the grappling was going on yesterday afternoon a crowd of curious people gathered along the banks of the pond and carefully noted the progress of the work. A few persons are disposed to believe that Mrs. McNair sought refuge with her relatives, but the general opinion prevails that she has committed suicide. The people are indignant over the brutal conduct of McNair, and several representative citizens of Scotch Plains came to Plainfield this morning and consulted the authorities with reference to bringing the brute to justice. It is said that the accused got wind of the proposed action of the Somerset county authorities and quietly took his departure yesterday. To-morrow a searching party will scour the country in the vicinity of Scotch Plains for Mrs. McNair and her baby.

A Floor Gives Way.

The ground flooring in the rear of the blacksmith shop on Somerset street, recently vacated by Mr. J. P. Homan, fell in with a crash at twenty minutes to five o'clock this morning, and a lot of boxes and electric light appliances belonging to the Electric Light Company, were precipitated into the cellar. The cross beams supporting the flooring, had rotted away and the heavy weight of the wires, etc., caused the floor to give way. Officers Grant and McCue, who were patrolling in the neighborhood of Park avenue and Front street at the time, distinctly heard the report, and hastened to the spot, but saw nothing unusual about the building.

The School-Girls' Album.

(Contributed.)

An autograph album is quite the correct thing for school-girls, and of the hundred or more with whom we have had pleasant chat, not less than five per cent. have failed to ask us to write between its treasured covers. The one requested to write is allowed to take the book home, and of course the lines already imprinted therein must be carefully studied, not merely to prevent repetition but with the hope of gaining ideas and sentiments for present as well as future use. An interesting study is this of the albums. Think of it—do the writings reflect the character of the writer or that of the person addressed? Of course the lines are either original or quoted. If original they are likely to be the best or most salient thoughts of the writer; if quoted they are no less the leading sentiment, though in the language of another. This is the natural conclusion, but is it consistent with the poets? A curious friend chose to collect the writings of seven well known young ladies. From one hundred albums these young ladies had written in more than fifty, and the collections arranged in order made intensely interesting reading. We may classify them some day, but of course give no names. Here are a few picked out at random, but can hardly be called a fair sample of the whole:

"In after years when this you see,
I wonder what your name will be."

"May your cheeks be just as rosy,
And you be just as gay,
When some manly voice shall whisper,
Susie, darling, name the day."

Would it be unfair to infer from the following lines that the writer was impressed with the idea that a husband would be a very proper possession for her friend, and also that the time should not be delayed beyond her twentieth birthday?

"I wish you much,
I wish you plenty,
I wish you a husband
When you are twenty."

The following might have been written by a full-grown school boy, but the signature indicates girlhood:

"My heart to you is given,
Oh, do give yours to me,
We'll lock them up together
And throw away the key."

The next is signed "John J. B.," but the general good sense of the writer cannot make up for the entire lack of sentiment:

"Since scribbling in albums
Remembrance insures;
With the greatest of pleasure
I scribble in yours."

The New Commutation Regulations.

The following information in relation to the rules and regulations of the new system of commutation tickets, will be of general interest. It will probably appear again on Monday in the columns of our day-late contemporary that also copied THE PRESS schedule of graduated rates a few weeks ago, without the courtesy of credit.

Tickets for any number of months (consecutive) can be procured at the Company's office in New York, between 9:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m., and for a month at the Plainfield station. In buying single tickets at the graduated rates, persons must purchase each successive ticket of the series at the same place—whether at New York or Plainfield.

A Commutation Ticket is to be used only by the person in whose name it is issued. If presented by any other person it will be forfeited and taken up by the conductor. Passengers are cautioned to be particular that there tickets are properly filled out, as, "Mr.," "Mrs.," or "Miss," as wanted. Under the graduated system it is expected that the old ticket will be surrendered to the conductor upon first presentation of the subsequent ticket of the series.

Commutation Tickets at graduated rates are sold from the first of any month between New York and stations named, and must be purchased consecutively to get the benefit of the rates for any number of months. If one or more months are permitted to elapse, the purchaser must begin again on the first month's rate. Persons purchasing tickets at graduated rates must abide by those rates in case they discontinue at any time, as no money will be refunded.

Fares paid in consequence of failure to present a Commutation or School Ticket for passage will not be returned.

No duplicate ticket will be issued under any circumstances.

SOUTH PLAINFIELD.

Visitors to this place are confronted with a scene of business, since work on the new railroad begun. Every day extra help arrives, and during the week many horses and carts have been driven from Winfield, Pa., to be used in the work of excavating and filling in along the route. The steam shovel has not yet got to work, but this will be in readiness in a day or two. Wood choppers have been at work for several days past, clearing the way through "Ash Swamp." It is the intention of the company to have the new road in operation by May next.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

CHARGES OF FRAUD AGAINST CONGRESSMAN ARNOLD.

Congress Will Have a Recess of Two Weeks--How They Would Heat and Light Cars--New Nominations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Judge Charles S. Bradley, of the Second Rhode Island district, yesterday served formal notice of contest upon the sitting member, Mr. Warren O. Arnold. He makes sweeping charges of fraud and bribery as the basis of his contest.

He charges that when it became apparent that he, Bradley, was to be elected Mr. Arnold and his friends united to raise large sums of money to be expended in the purchase of votes and to induce others to refrain from voting, and that such moneys were used with Mr. Arnolds knowledge and consent.

It is also charged that many hundred votes exceeding the plurality of Arnold were obtained by reason of money paid or other valuable consideration given either to the electors or to others for their benefit for votes for Arnold.

He makes specific charges that Arnold gave one Joseph C. Church, who is described as one reported to have often been as the agent of bribery, $500 to be used in the purchase of votes, and that one Daniel Moody and forty or fifty others in the town of Chamberlain were thus induced to vote for Arnold; that Arnold, with and through one Wright, of the town of Foster, purchased votes in Scituate, and that from fifty to a hundred votes were thus obtained in this town that would have been cast for Bradley that one John H. Northrup was employed to buy votes in Warwick, and that in the towns and throughout the district such democrats as could be induced to sell their votes for money bought for Arnold.

Vacation For Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Contrary to general expectations Speaker Carlisle did not announce the committee on rules yesterday. This committee, though composed of only five members, is the most important of the standing committees except ways and means, as it considers and reports on all propositions to change the methods of doing business in the house. Last session it was composed of the speakers, Mr. Morrison and Mr. Randall, democrats, and Messrs. Reed and Hiscock, republicans. The last two and Mr. Morrison were members of the ways and means committee. Mr. Randall was chairman of the appropriation committee.

The speaker would gladly change this order of things. He wanted to appoint two members for the ways and means and two of the appropriation committee, but to date the republicans could not agree among themselves whether it should be Mr. Cannon, of Illinois, an old member, who has had long service on the appropriation committee, and Mr. McKinley, of Ohio, who is again likely to be in the ways and means.

As the house has resolved to adjourn for the holidays on Thursday next and will not now meet again until Monday next it is evident that nothing will be done toward considering pending propositions to change the house rules until after the recess.

How They Would Heat and Light Cars.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—In answer to a resolution adopted by the house at the close of the last session the secretary of the treasury yesterday sent to that body a communication embodying the results of the inquiry made by the supervising inspector-general of steam vessels into the methods of constructing and heating passenger cars and steamboats. A circular was sent out in February. Two hundred and sixteen answers were received, which were classified as follows: Twenty-eight contemplated heating cars by steam from the locomotive, twelve by hot air from the locomotive, twenty-three by heat from an independent car, twenty-six heating by electricity, fifty-four heating by improved heaters or stoves, eight prevention of disaster by fire by means of specially constructed safety cars, one heating and lighting by gas and eighty-four miscellaneous.

Assistant Surgeon General of the Army.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—On Monday next the president will transmit to the senate the nomination of Lieut.-Col. Charles Page, surgeon, to be assistant surgeon-general of the army, with the rank of colonel. Dr. Page is at present stationed at Fort Leavenworth, and though upon the confirmation of his nomination he will be entitled to an assignment as surgeon of a division, he may possibly desire to remain at his present station. He is the senior lieutenant colonel of the corps. As usual, there was quite a scramble for the place, and the man who strove for it the least got it.

HONORING WHITTIER.

The Bard's Birthday Remembered Here and in Other States.

AMESBURY, Mass., December 17.—Yesterday was Whittier day in many schools in this and other states, and the eightieth birthday of the "sweet singer of Amesbury," which occurs to-day, was celebrated by recitations from his poems and compositions devoted to his work as abolitionist, editor, farmer, poet, etc. The day at Amesbury was celebrated in the new opera house. The usual celebration took place, and the well-earned praises of the bard of "the barefoot boy" were sung in many keys. As usual, the bard himself, shunning publicity, remained quietly in his Danvers home, about twenty miles from here, and the children had to content themselves with a friendly message from him.

It is expected that to-day Gov. Ames and the city council of Boston will take a special train and go up and pay their respect to Whittier. They will bear with them a congratulatory address prepared by the Essex club, of which Senator Hoar, Gov. Ames, and other big-bugs, many of them now in Washington, are the leading members. Mr. Whittier will keep open house and receive his friends to-day, but he has begged them to give the day as little prominence as possible.

Miner's Wages to be Reduced.

DOVER, Dec. 17.—It is now positively stated that the wages of miners employed by the Glendon Iron company at Hibernia will be reduced, after January 1, from $1.50 to $1.25 per day. It is believed that the companies at Mt. Hope, Teebo, Hurdtown and at various other places will follow the example of the Gleadon company. The reason for this reduction is the increased cost of coal. It is promised that wages will go up again in the spring.

A Cattle Thief Lynched.

GAINESVILLE, Dec. 16.—The body of George Green was found suspended from the limb of a tree several miles from Flemington, on Monday, and it supposed that vigilantes did the work. Green was a notorious cattle thief for years.

PRNIC ON A FERRYBOAT.

A Steamer Cuts Far Into the Crowded Cabin of a Ferryboat.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The Erie ferryboat Pavonia, of the Chambers street line, was run into about 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon by the steamer Breakwater of the Old Dominion line,

The Breakwater, which was coming up the river hugging the New York shore, struck the ferryboat a slanting blow on the port side, about midway between the paddle-box and the stern, and crashed into the gentlemen's cabin for a distance of about ten feet.

The windows and boards were smashed as if they were egg-shells, and eighteen feet of the guard was torn away.

The Pavonia was crowded with passengers, the number being largely increased by the fact that she was a trail boat. Nearly all them were in the cabins on account of the cold weather. When the crash came so unexpectedly there was the greatest consternation. The passengers struggled and fell over each other in their anxiety to get out of the way of the flying splinters and glass.

The women on the other side of the boat were filled with terror for several minutes and huddled together in the cabins, not knowing what to expect or what had happened. There seemed to be no danger of the Pavonia sinking, and the excitement subsided. It was found that several passengers had been injured by the flying splinters and glass.

The most seriously wounded was Frank Moriarty, aged thirty, of Milford, Mass. His thighs were crushed, and it is thought that he received internal injuries. When the boat reached Jersey City he was taken to St. Francis hospital.

The other passengers seriously hurt were ex-Assemblyman David Henry and Richard Coghlan, of Paterson. A number of other passengers were slightly cut and bruised.

The Chicago a Success.

GLEN COVE, L. I., December 17.—The steel cruiser Chicago was subjected to the contract trial for horse power on Long Island sound yesterday, and from the latest information at hand it appears that her performance exceeded all expectations. Beginning at 9:30, the engines were kept in full speed for six consecutive hours without accident of any kind. The mean revolutions per minute were sixty-nine and a half, and the horse power exceeded that called for in the contract. The members of the advisory board who accompanied the ship express satisfaction at the results attained. From all the information obtainable it is certain that in the Chicago the navy has a vessel fully up to requirements. The speed obtained was slightly in excess of fifteen and a half knots an hour. The boilers furnished all the steam required without the use of forced draught. The Chicago will return to the Brooklyn navy yard to-day.

Stylish Women Arrested For Stealing.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 16.—Two handsomely dressed women, wearing sealskin cloaks and costly diamonds, were arrested last night at the central passenger station, charged with stealing a tray of gold chains from a leading jewelry store. They gave the names of Lizzie McGuire and Mary Smith, said their home was Trenton, New Jersey, and that their husbands were actors. The stolen property was not found on them. The only evidence against them is that they were identified by two salesmen as having been in the store to buy goods. Going out, one of them engaged the clerk in conversation, while the other had an opportunity to slip the chains from a case which had been carelessly left open.

Defeated His Enemies.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Dec. 17.—A. P. Daire, of this city, recently received a position as foreman of a St. Louis carriage painting establishment. When he asked for a certificate of membership of the Knights of Labor, without which he said he could not get his situation, the organization preferred charges against him, which he declared were trumped up because he had refused to support the candidate of the knights for sheriff. The men who preferred the charges wanted to try him before their assembly, but he declined, took the matter to the general assembly, and they have stopped the fight and given him the certificate.

Convicted of Forgery.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Dec. 17.—Jacob R. Hunsicker, a member of the bar of this county, was yesterday convicted of forging the name of T. S. Carson, on a promissory note for $300, which he presented to a local bank, and had the amount placed to his credit. Carson was shown the note and pronounced the indorsement a forgery. Hunsicker said Carson was out of town, and that his, Carson's, name on the back of the note, thinking it would be all right. Hunsicker's council will move for a new trial, which, in all probability, will be refused, and Hunsicker's disbarment will follow. He is about sixty years old and has a family.

Proposing a Compromise.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 17.—The striking flint-glass blowers have submitted a proposition to the manufacturers withdrawing the demand for an advance in the wages of the gatherers and considering the right of the employers to discharge workmen for incompetency and drunkenness. They still refuse to submit to rule 2, however, which provides that manufacturers may contract directly with their workmen, as its adoption would imperil the glass-workers' organizations. The proposition also suggests that fifty-five hours be considered a week's work in the moulding department and fifty-eight hours in the cutting department.

The Franco-Italian Treaty.

PARIS, December 17.—One of the first acts of the new government has been to secure a renewal of the commercial treaty between France and Italy for a period of six months. This is regarded as an auspicious strengthening of relations with Italy at a time when France needs security and sympathy abroad to counteract the efforts of Germany to isolate her among the European powers.

Gold Mining in Georgia.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 17 The gold mining regions of Georgia indicate a marked revival in gold mining enterprises. A syndicate of English capitalists has just bought 2,000 acres of gold mining property near Gainesville and will construct a ten-mile canal and erect stamp mills. New Orleans capitalists have also purchased an extensive tract near Canton and will engage in gold mining on a large scale.

"Combine" of Slate Manufacturers.

TROY, Dec. 17.—A meeting of slate manufacturers was held in Granville yesterday, to consider the price of slate for 1888. A committee of three was elected to draw a plan of organization for all the state producers to sign, with the purpose of sustaining prices.

F[illegible] DISTANCE.

ACCORDING to a recent inland revenue report the annual tobacco consumption of the United Kingdom is fifty-three million pounds.

THE paper money of Germany is printed in the Imperial printing office, Berlin, which has a force of nine hundred employes and forty printing presses.

THE Hollanders are said to be the greatest coffee-drinkers in the world, their annual consumption being about eighteen pounds per head of the whole population.

THE Ameer of Afghanistan is fast gaining a world-wide reputation for cruelty. The manner of executions as ordered by him are cruel and barberous in the extreme.

IT is reported from the principal cities of Japan that American dress and customs are fast finding favor there. Tokio and other cities have street cars from America.

SWITZERLAND and France have each agreed to furnish 15,000,000 francs (about $3,000,000) for a tunnel through the Simplon mountain which connects the two countries.

THE city of Tokio, Japan, is celebrated no only for the number, but the extent and beauty of its parks. Chief among them is Wooyeno, with an area of 2,500 acres, and Shiba, of 1,200 acres.

IN the face of the strenuous efforts on the part of all concerned, the Colorado beetle has succeeded in establishing a foot-hold in Germany. Its appearance in the surrounding countries is only a question of time.

IT is estimated that the wealth of the following countries is increased annually by the sums named: Germany, $200,000,000; Great Britain, $325,000,000; France, $375,000,000, and the United States, $875,000,000. The United States is already the wealthiest nation in the world, and as the above figures show, its wealth is increasing the most rapidly.

AN Australian paper of a recent date gives an account of the finding of a nugget of gold that weighed 225 ounces. It was unearthed by Chinamen at Hargraves, near Mudgee. It was at Hargraves in the year 1852 that the celebrated Carr nugget of one hundredweight was found, and very recently a 160-ounce nugget was found a few miles away, at the Meridan bar.

CANADA has never had a war, yet her public debt has grown from less than $100,000,000 in 1867 to nearly $[illegible],000,000 in 1887. She has given outright in subsidies to railways over $110,000,000, besides giving enormous quanties of public land, and she has lavished scores of millions upon the construction of more than a thousand miles of railroad, which she owns and operates at a heavy loss.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 16, 1887.

Bayles, Jas	Klepper, John
Bradey, Mr S	Kenny, Edward
Balerbett, Miss Auguste	Kaller, Joseph
Boardman, Miss E H	Lanchi, Miss M
Baker, Miss S Louise	Lothrop, Miss
Berley Miss Anna (2)	Martin, Mrs Elizabeth
Bradley, Geo W	Mayhan, H D
Clasek, Oliver G H	Norton, S S
Culvan, Miss Alice	Nedham, John
Gray, Miss M	Smith Miss Minnie
Hanrahan, Miss Kate	Shyle, Miss May
Heorling, Mrs F O	Sloyen, John
Hohn, Miss Julie	Schoonmacker, Mrs G B
Helmer, Fredrick	Thompson, Miss A L
Height, Miss Katie	Williams, Miss Grace
Kiely, Mr.	Walker, H
Kilroy, Mrs E C	Wilson, R F

Persons calling for above please say advertised.

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W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

DEATHS.

BOICE—In Piscataway township, December 15, 1887, Deacon Insley Boice, in his 76th year. Funeral services from his late residence near New Brooklyn, on Tuesday, 20th inst., at 11 o'clock. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

FOR SALE—XMAS WREATHS AND ROPING. Palms and Winter Blooming Plants to loan, at Denton's, Hillside avenue. 12-16-4d

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TO LET—HOUSE CORNER SIXTH AND DIvision Streets, furnished or unfurnished; for boarding or private use; in good order; all improvements. Rent very low to responsible parties. Apply to Mrs. E. D. Eaton, Division Street, between 5th and 6th. 12-6-tf

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WM. H. SHOTWELL.

Dec. 16th, 1887.

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ONE WEEK.

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THE FEDERATION'S WORK

GOMPERS RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT FOR ANOTHER TERM.

The Amendment to Raise the President's Salary Defeated--St. Louis Will Have the Next Convention--New Officers.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.—Though the officers of the American federation of Labor expected to finish their second annual convention yesterday they were unable to find time to consider the report of the committee on resolutions, and another session will be held to-day. There was a long debate over the changes in the constitution, as the delegates wanted to avoid committing the errors that have wrecked the Knights of Labor. The main subjects considered were the per capita tax assessment.

The committee on constitution reported in favor of reducing the per capita tax from half a cent a month to a quarter of a cent a month. The new tax will be only three cents a year for each member. That will be found ample for all the expenses of the federation, and there will be a good surplus if all its members pay up promptly.

Mr. Dillon could not see how the federation could be supported on an annual tax of only three cents; but Mr. Wm. Welke, president of the Amalgamated Iron and Steel Workers, and chairman of the committee on constitution, said that the federation wanted no more funds in its treasury than would pay its running expenses, and three cents a member would be ample for that. Three trustees will have charge of the funds. Money can be spent only by a vote of the executive council, and paid out only by the concurrent signatures of the trustees. The total expenses will not be allowed to run over the receipts from the per capita tax, and the constitution provides that is the only fund for the use of the federation.

After the failure of an attempt to discuss the boycott and strike assessment in secret session, an amendment to the constitution was offered providing that the maximum assessment for strikes should be limited to five cents per month, that no assessment could be levied for anything but strikes, and that assessments could not be levied until a circular explaining the circumstances had been sent to every union comprising the federation, and a majority of these unions had voted in favor of it.

Delegate Butler of the Cigarmakers' Union spoke in condemnation of the assessment methods of the Knights of Labor. "We want no assessment. We do not believe in levying assessments for fine halls or beautiful palaces. All assessments should be for the support of strikes, and for nothing else."

Secretary McGuire said: "All questions of taxation should be submitted to popular vote. Nothing should be done to interfere with the autonomy of the trades unions. We should go quietly and slowly, and not rush into any rash expenditures or uncertain experiments."

The amendment was passed. So was another constitutional amendment allowing the federation to announce that boycotts in certain cases were justifiable, but no power is given to the federation to enforce any boycott or strike.

Power was given to local unions and other bodies of organized workingmen to form local and state federations of labor as branches of the federation, and to send delegates to the next national convention. This all Knights of Labor who are on good terms with the unions of their trades to join the federation, though central labor unions and trades assemblies of their localities, to become members of the federation. An amendment to give the executive council power to raise the president's salary $300 if the treasury would permit, was defeated. The executive council was empowered to make temporary appointments of traveling speakers and organizers, who will be paid three dollars a day and their expenses. A motion to elect a permanent organizer was defeated on the ground that the federation wants no more salaried offices than possible, and that it does not believe in interfering with the work that belongs to the trades unions.

Resolutions were passed favoring a working day of eight hours; the formation of state branches; opposing false labor legislation, and denouncing the manner of administering laws that lets distinguished thieves escape and sends a tramp to the penitentiary, and favoring the election of members of trades unions to legislative offices.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Samuel Gompers, New York.
First Vice-President—Daniel McLaughlin, Breedwood, Ill.
Second Vice-President—William Martin, Pittsburg.
Secretary—P. J. McGuire, Philadelphia.
Treasurer—Gabriel Edmonston, Washington.

John McBride of Ohio, persistently refuse to permit the use of his name in connection with the presidency, and Gompers was the only candidate.

St. Louis was chosen as the place for the next annual convention.

MASTERED BY ELECTRICITY.

Experiments Tried at Boston on the Trotter, Gray Eagle, With Good Results.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Prof. R. H. Harrison, of the Harvard Veterinary school, showed how a bolting horse, or one that has a tendency to break can be mastered by means of an electric shock administered by the driver. Gray Eagle, a trotter with a record of 2.22, but with several bad habits, was brought to Prof. Harrison. This horse will take his bit in his teeth and make himself master of the situation whenever an opportunity is afforded. Dr. Harrison took a small battery and extended two slight wires, terminating in small knobs from it along the reins to the bit of the bridle. At the will of the operator a shock of greater or less intensity can be given the horse, which can thus be made to understand whether he or his driver is master without doing any injury to the animal.

The instrument was applied to Gray Eagle and at the same time the utmost care was given to use it only with the words whoa and steady, the first meaning to stop him in a short distance only if trotting, or to stop short up if he was walking, the second to get on his feet if breaking. The animal, after a few experiments, became docile and he bolting took its place among the lost arts. This morning he was given a final trial under Prof. Harrison's supervision and came to a halt from a 2.40 clip or a walk with equal docility on hearing the word "whoa" and gave over his breaking when the word "steady" was given. He was tried under circumstances calculated to excite him. The experiment has been tried in France, but never here before.

East-bound Rates to Advance.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—The freight agents of the Chicago east-bound railways yesterday agreed on an advance in export rates on all classes of business. The advance averages 15 per cent. over the present tariffs. It will go into effect on December 27.

EUROPEAN WAR CLOUDS

THE NEIGHBORS WATCHING THE WILY MUSCOVITE.

The New Growth in the Crown Prince's Throat Not Malignant—A Landlord with a Heart.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—There is no foundation for the report that was printed yesterday morning that there had been an emeute at Sophia. The rumor originated at Belgrade From there it got to the Cologne *Gazette*, which journal published it yesterday, and the report reached Paris and London.

However unfounded it was, its effect was seen quickly enough on the markets, which were in a disturbed condition on account of the rumor. Scarcely a second thought was given to the seat of the reported disturbance, but everyone looked beyond and saw Russia's hand, as they thought.

The effect caused by this new alarm shows the sensitiveness of Europe over the present peculiar situation of things on the continent and the general distrust with which Russia is regarded.

The explanation offered by the *Military Gazette* of St. Petersburg in regard to the massing of the troops on the Galician frontier, lengthy and statistical as they are, are simply disbelieved. That is the plain truth of the matter, and on that very account the movements of Russia will be carefully regarded by her neighbors for some time, in order to determine what real purpose may be lurking behind the one she professes and publicly expresses.

SATISFIED WITH GLADSTONE.

Parnell Resists Overtures to Unload the Grand Old Man.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Justin McCarthy, speaking at Hull last night, said that before the last election Earl Carnarvon had tried to arrange with the Parnellites for the purpose of ousting Mr. Gladstone. The negotiations were conducted solely by Earl Carnarvon and himself. The earl stipulated that the tories were prepared to concede any measure of home rule that might be desired by Mr. Parnell himself.

The negotiations fell through because of the perfectly true report that Mr. Parnell considered Mr. Gladstohe the best man for the Irish party to support.

The Crown Prince's Throat.

SAN REMO, Dec. 17.—Dr. McKenzie, who examined the Crown Prince's throat both last night and to-day, declares that the new growth is neither vicious nor dangerous. His silence concerning the previous diagnosis, which pronounced the malady with which the prince is afflicted a cancer, is accepted as an admission of its correctness, despite the recent theories to the contrary. "It is true," he says, "that a small growth has formed higher up in the throat, but it has not the malignant appearance that the former had. The growth which appeared while the prince was at Raveno has diminished in size and the swelling of the glands has disappeared."

A Landlord With a Heart.

DUBLIN, December 17.—The Marquis of Ely, who some time ago refused to grant a reduction of 25 per cent. under the plan of campaign, causing wholesale evictions of tenants and the dismissal of the New Ross board of guardians because they refused to treat the evicted as paupers, is now visiting his Wexford estate for the first time in ten years. Yesterday he invited Canon Doyle, the leader of the tenants, to dine with him and discuss the matter, and the result is that the Marquis has granted a reduction of 51 per cent., and easy terms of payment, and will reinstate all the tenants who were evicted.

Clapped Into Conmel Jail.

DUBLIN, Dec. 17.—Mr. David Sheeney. M. P., who was arrested in Limerick the other day after evading the police for a long time, was yesterday sentenced at Ballyneety to three months' imprisonment at hard labor. His sentenced was imposed for his participation in the Woodford meeting of Oct. 16. An appeal from sentence was taken by Mr. Sheehy's counsel and the prisoner admitted to bail. He was immediately rearrested for participation in the meeting held at Conmel. Bail was refused and Mr. Sheehy was escorted under guard to Conmel jail.

A London Demonstration Forbidden.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The law and liberty league proposed to make a demonstration on Sunday in honor of Linnell, who, it is alleged, died from the effects of injuries received in a charge of the mounted police during the recent Trafalgar square riot, but the police authorities have issued an order prohibiting that any display be made.

No Cancer in the Crown Prince's Throat.

SAN REMO, Dec. 17.—The new growth which has made its appearance in the throat of the Crown Prince is not of a cancerous nature. It causes no difficulty in breathing. No operation is deemed necessary at present. The right side of the larnyx is sound.

Balfour Backs His Engines.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Mr. Balfour writes to the *Times* to correct a statement that he made in a recent speech that a man had been convicted in Ireland of obstructing the work of the police. He since has learned that the case was dismissed.

Over Twelve Hundred Students at Yale.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 17.—The catalogue of Yale university for 1887-88, which has been issued, shows that several changes have been made in the financial affairs of that institution. There has been an increase of the charges for many of the rooms on the campus, and some of the apartments in the old brick row will be rented for less than before. The greatest increase is on the rooms in Durfee. The tuition has been increased $10 per year. The summary shows that there are 1,245 students, of which 614 are in the academic school; 291 in the scientific school; graduate course, 69; art school, 58; divinity, 117; medical, 26; law, 94. This is an increase of 161 over last year.

Death of a Distinguished Jurist.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 17.—Judge Francis H. Dewey, who was stricken with apoplexy at his residence on Tuesday evening, Dec. 13, died at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. He remained unconscious to the end. He comes from a family of distinguished jurists, his father and grandfather having served on the supreme bench of Massachusetts.

Execution by Electricity.

ALBANY, Dec. 17.—The commission which was appointed two years ago to inquire as to a more humane method of capital punishment expects to complete its report for the new legislature early in January. It is authoritatively stated that all agree on a system of electrical appliances to produce death.

TERRIBLE BOILER EXPLOSION.

The Edison Works in West Chester, Pa., Blown Up—Five Persons Killed.

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Dec. 17—Five persons were killed and as many more injured yesterday afternoon by the explosion of one of the boilers in the works of the Edison Electric Illuminating company. The killed are: T. Walter Embree, superintendent of the works, head blown nearly off and body badly crushed; Elwood Becket; Mary Jones; Samuel Webb; and John Bradley.

The injured are: Edward Schofield, will die; Frank Kinnan, William Richardson, Jacob Brown, and William Alliston. D. O. Taylor, clerk of courts, and several workmen whose names are not known, are missing.

The explosion was terrific. For squares away the houses were shaken and windows were broken. The big building was almost demolished, and large pieces of iron machinery were thrown hundreds of feet in the air. Many bricks and pieces of iron and wood were found several squares away. Before the smoke and steam had half cleared away the tall and heavy smokestack fell with a crash, knocking down the walls of the building, which were still standing, and burying the men who had before stood some chance of getting out alive.

Work was immediately done to extricate the living, and then attention was turned to the dead. There was known to have been at least ten persons in the building when the boiler blew up. In half an hour all of those still living had been dug out. None of them is thought to be dangerously wounded except Lineman Schofield. The physicians say it will be impossible for him to live. Two or three of the others are severely scalded.

Superintendent T. Walter Embree's body was the last one to be recovered. It presented a ghastly appearance. A piece of iron or wood had struck him on the head, almost severing it. Mary Jones, the little school girl, was walking a square away at the time of the explosion. A heavy plank struck her and crushed her skull. She was instantly killed. To-night the ruins are being searched. The bodies of Webb and Bradley were not found until after dark. It is feared other bodies may be under the debris.

Mr. Childs Not a Candidate.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—George W. Childs was shown a paragraph contained in a morning paper stating that James McManus and Charles A. Porter, who are candidates for delegates to the republican national convention from the fourth congressional district, had declared for Mr. Childs and had said that they would support him for the presidential nomination. After reading the article Mr. Childs said: "That is the first that I have seen of this. What these gentlemen are doing is entirely without my knowledge and does not meet with my approbation. I have understood that there are gentlemen who expect to be delegates to the convention who have said that they intend supporting me, but I want it understood that it is without any consultation with me upon the subject. I have no aspirations in that direction."

Business at the Knights' Headquarters.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—Secretary Hayes of the executive board, Knights of Labor, received a dictated letter from the general master workman, in which he stated his great desire to be out, adding that he was restless under his confinement. General Secretary Litchman says that the compiled report of membership for October last from the various district assemblies in the order show a total roll of 500,998, which is an increase over the report of last July.

Captain Bogardus Defeated.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—Captain Bogardus and T. L. Winston of Covington, Ky., gave a pigeon shoot yesterday afternoon at Compton Park. The terms were $50 a side, English rules; 100 wild pigeons, five ground traps, 30 yards rise. The shooting was wonderfully good. The match was won by Winston by a score of 90 to 88. The shooters tied on the 97th shot, and Bogardus, amid great excitement, missed his 98th and 100th birds.

The Ohio State Grange.

CANTON, Ohio, Dec 17.—The Ohio state grange, in session here, has adopted resolutions demanding legislation to prevent the school book monopoly; also one opposing the placing of raw material on the free list, and against the further reduction of the wool tariff, and asking for the restoration of the tariff of 1867. The convention also declared that the time had arrived when the United States senators should be elected by the people.

Letters Left by Lingg.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—The anarchist organ, the *Alarm*, gave four columns yesterday to writings of Louis Lingg. The articles are a conglomeration of flighty fancies, interspersed with love letters. Some of the passages are unfit for publication. There are 28 letters in all, and in the last, dated November 8, Lingg is as revolutionary as ever and says he will never ask for pardon.

Mr. Powderly Steadily Improving.

SCRANTON, Dec. 17. Mr. Powderly continues to improve steadily. Although he suffers from internal pain, the more alarming symptoms have disappeared and there has been no return of hemorrhage. His family is quite hopeful to-night of his early recovery.

Sporting Notes.

The famous trotting stallion Messenger Chief died of rupture at Versailles, Ky., on Wednesday night. He was the property of George A. Singerly, of Philadelphia, and was valued at $20,000.

There has been a good deal of speculation as to which of the Jersey tracks would first give way to the weather. Guttenburg settled the question yesterday. It's a bad day when they don't race on the hill, but yesterday was a bad day for sport and no mistake.

Jack Ashton is making a reputation on his own account in England. In Birmingham he met Al Greenfield's big 'un, John Corsnet, and knocked him out in the presence of most of Buffalo Bill's men and Indians. Corsnet defeated Jack Davis in six rounds, and Davis is the man Jem Smith won the championship from. By the way, Billy Madden thinks that Ashton will yet be the champion of the world.

George Le Blanche, the marine, and Jack Fallon were to have met at Warren Lewis's Casino four or five weeks ago and box four rounds, but when the night arrived the marine, in consequence of a swollen hand, could not box. There has been a good deal of talk since between the partisans of the men, who have now agreed to meet in Odd Fellows' Hall, in Hoboken, next Thursday night and have their go then and there. It is sure to attract a packed house.

Jim Conlin of New York city and Mike Lyons, a newly imported Englishman, fought early Thursday morning. The men are middle weights and fought according to London ring rules, with bare knuckles, for a purse of $100. They fought on the bare floor of an outhouse, and there was a good deal of small pieces of broken glass on it, which cut the men's bodies severely in the falls. Five rounds were fought, with the advantage all in favor of Conlin. When time was called for the sixth round Lyons could not respond, and the victory was awarded Conlin.

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Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

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Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.59, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

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Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9.29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, *5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

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5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk, connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

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For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

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RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

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From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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IN FAVOR OF ANNEXATION.

Dominion Statesmen Express Themselves as Advocating Annexation.

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—Great excitement has been caused here in political circles over the statement that the Hon. John Ellis, member of the Dominion parliament, had announced his intention of coming out squarely as an advocate of annexation to the United States, while many quiet hints have been thrown out to show which way the wind is blowing. No one has, until now, ... dared to advocate separation from the British empire.

In an editorial in his own paper Mr. Ellis invites Mr. Chamberlain's attention to annexation as being the simplest way to settle the fisheries troubles, and declares that both countries would be strengthened by the union.

In view of the apparent collapse of the fishery commission several other members of parliament, including the Hon. A. G. Jones, of Halifax, it is understood will come out openly in the coming session of parliament, not alone in favor of commercial union, but in advocacy of annexation to the United States.

These public men from the maritime provinces are not disposed to press this issue against any openly expressed views of the crown, but they recognize the fact that these provinces, geographically, ought to be part of the United States, and they contend that no permanent remedy for commercial friction can be found outside of annexation. This would at once and forever settle the commercial questions continually coming up.

Mr. Ellis disclaims any desire to force any rupture in the relations with Great Britain, but he believes, as nearly all the maritime leaders do, that the English government would not be obstinate to hold the provinces if they wanted to go, and if she found no other way to quiet their trade disturbances.

The Michigan Wheat Crop.

DETROIT, Dec. 17.—The Michigan monthly crop report for December, issued by the secretary of state, shows that wheat goes into the winter in poor condition compared with the average years, the condition being 86 per cent. in southern counties, 85 in central and 93 in nothern, the average for the state being 88 per cent. One year ago the figures for southern counties were 95, for northern 102, and for the state 97. This loss in the condition of wheat is due to the continued dry, cool weather during November. The rainfall during the month was less than the normal, and from March 1 to December 1 was 7.56 inches below the normal. There were very good and general rains the last few days in November and for several days in the present month, but the ground so far is bare of snow, and the prospects are decidedly unfavorable.

He Judged for Himself.

VINCENNES, Ind., Dec. 17.—At Murphreysboro, in Jackson county, Ill., William Bonner, a justice of the peace, brought a suit against his son-in-law, Samuel Derrington, for slander. Bonner had his regular constable serve the papers and brought the case into his own court. At the trial Bonner heard all the evidence and then called Constable Woolsey to the chair. The latter administered the oath, and the justice took the witness stand to testify in his own behalf before his own court. He then resumed his judicial chair and heard with patience the arguments of the attorney on both sides. He finally summed up the evidence and rendered a decision against Derrington, his son-in-law, allowing himself damages in the sum of $5,000.

Parson Downs' Suit.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—In the Downs back salary suit yesterday the plaintiffs tried hard to offset Thursday's testimony favorable to Downs. Deacon Davis (colored) said he was in Mrs. Taber's room in Durne street soon after it was broken into. The bed looked as if it had been occupied. Deacon Pierce had also seen the bed in the same condition. Deacon Pierce also said he was in the church the afternoon Tabor claimed he made experiments with his mirror, but he did not see Taber there. Pierce corroborated the deocrators who said the lounge in Downs's study was piled up high with bunting.

The Whiskey Trust is Getting On.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 17.—The executive committee of the great whiskey trust has been in session in this city for several days, perfecting the final arrangements by which the whiskey trust is expected to go into effect on January 1. The trust, as organized, will include all the houses that once composed the Western Export association, with the exception of those operated by Squiggs and Wodgesworth, of Cincinnati. The amount of certificates issued thus far is about $15,000,000.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

"Tom" Woodfolk, a Georgia man, has been convicted of murder of nine persons.

Leph Ayers of Trenton, trapped 261 muskrats in November, the biggest catch on record.

The biggest snow storm in the memory of the oldest settlers is raging in Western Texas.

An ex-priest named Maloney has been working a miracle racket with great financial success in Philadelphia.

There is great excitement in the Canadian northwest territories over an invasion of Mormons. Fifty families have already taken land at Fort McLeod.

One of the pathetic pulpit recitals by the Rev. C. C. Roberts, a new Connecticut revivalist, is a confession of how he used to be a bigamist.

A mysterious wild beast is killing chickens near Ogdensburg, N. J. Strangely enough nobody has suggested that it is one of Barnum's escaped animals.

Sitting Bull, Charger and Hump will visit Washington and lay the Sioux reservation matter before the president on behalf of the Indians. The red men of the reservation have raised $5,000 for the purpose.

Capt. Peters and two of the crew of the schooner Lion of Halifax were washed overboard during the gale on December 1. The captain and one of the seamen were saved, but Stephen Waterman, the other sailor, was not seen afterward.

The cab drivers in New York city have not gone out on strike yet, and say they do not intend to so long as pleasant weather continues. The drivers say all they ask for now is fourteen dollars a week for seven days' work

George L. Wolff, who has been on trial for stabbing Matthew Korner at Poss's saloon, New York, in March last, was Thursday night found guilty of assault in the second degree. Wolff is still under indictment for killing Firnbach.

The Methodist General hospital, better known as the Seney hospital, Brooklyn, was dedicated Thursday afternoon, and the western pavillion was formally opened. The ultimate intention is to have nine buildings, and it will require $1,200,000 more to put the hospital in its contemplated finished shape. Beds have been endowed in perpetuity of $5,000 apiece by Nelson and Edward K. Robinson, William Hoyt, A. H. Cheesebrough, William S. Johnson and Thomas A. Buckley. It is expected that another pavillion will be completed within a year.

SOMEBODY.

Somebody thinks the world all wrong
And never has a word in its praise;
Somebody sings the whole day long,
Likes the world and all its ways.
Somebody says it is a queer old place,
Where none of the people do as they should;
Some body thinks it full of grace
And wouldn't change the folks if he could.
Somebody calls it cruel and cold,
Full of sin and sorrow and pain,
Where life is but a search for gold,
And souls are lost in selfish gain.
Somebody merrily laughs, and cries:
"Hurrah for such a dear old earth!
Success shall crown the man that tries
To make his mark by honest worth."
Somebody groans and shakes his head,
Calls his lot a wretched one:
Somebody wishes that he were dead,
For somebody else has all the fun.
But somehow I notice you generally find,
In good or evil, pain or care,
To one thing sure, you may make up your mind:
Somebody *always* gets his share.
—*Pearl Eyinge, in Demorest's Monthly.*

THE COLONEL'S TALE.

A Criminal's Remarkable Escape from the Gallows.

It was late—after midnight—and as we got up from the whist table and gathered around the fire, Colonel Thornton said: 'If you men are not too tired, and don't mind sitting up for another half hour, I think I can tell you a good story."

We protested that we were never less tired, and could sit up till morning if necessary. So the Colonel began:

"My father, as you know, was a parson, but he took orders late in life, after having been fifteen years at the bar, and the events of which I am going to tell you he, himself, told me as having come directly under his eye when he was a barrister.

"It was at the Monmouth Assizes in 18— that a case was tried which became the talk of the neighborhood and country for years after. My father was sitting in the court of the assistant judge, when a note was brought him from a friend in the adjoining court, asking him to come and hear a case of more than usual interest, the facts of which were these:

"Some time before a farmer's house near Monmouth had been broken into and robbed by men disguised and masked, the farmer murdered and his servant shockingly ill-treated. Among other things which were stolen were two old-fashioned silver brooches, curiously inlaid with malachite, heirlooms of the family; and although unremitting search was made, and the description of the lost articles made widely known, no trace of the murderers could be found.

"A month or two after the murder, however, a police officer, in going through a common lodging-house in Bristol, noticed a dissipated-looking sailor lying on a pallet and resting his head on a small bundle. He asked him what it contained, and was told that it was 'only his kit.' The officer, not satisfied, opened the bundle, and almost the first thing to fall out were two brooches made of silver and malachite. Struck by their curious beauty, and wondering how such a wretched-looking fellow could have become possessed of them, he suddenly remembered the advertisement and description of the stolen articles.

"'How did you come by these?' he inquired.

"The sailor replied: 'By chance. When I came ashore some time ago, with plenty of money in my pocket, I met an old seaman who was down on his luck, and he offered to sell me these things, which had belonged to his mother. I was pretty flush, and gave him a good price for them, although they were useless to me. And that's all about it.'

"The police officer, still dissatisfied, took him into custody. He was sent to Monmouth jail, the brooches were identified, and he was committed for trial at the assize on the charge of theft and murder. And," continued the Colonel, impressively, "as my father entered the court this man was being placed in the dock.

"Tall beyond the then average height of men, and gaunt, with an unkempt beard and evil, yellow eye, and though evidently suffering from his long imprisonment, he yet presented a powerful and imposing front. The trial had begun and he had just been asked the usual question: 'Are you guilty or not guilty?' and had answered in a hollow voice: 'Not guilty, my Lord,' when the entrance of one of the court officials with a gentleman stopped the proceedings for awhile. And here I must explain this interruption.

"A few days before a quiet, gentlemanly man, a Captain Forsyth, of His Majesty's navy, had arrived at the chief hotel of the town on a fishing excursion; but the weather had been so adverse that he was obliged to look elsewhere for amusement. Turning to the landlord for information, he was told of this trial as exciting considerable interest, and so it came to pass that, as the prisoner took his place at the bar, Captain Forsyth sent his card to the Judge, who gladly allowed him, as was then the custom, a seat on the bench.

"The case proceeded; witnesses were called to identify the brooches, the servants swore to the figure of the prisoner as resembling that of the murderer; no witnesses were called for his defense—no one defended him; every thing pointed to his guilt, and the jury retired to their room. In a few minutes they returned, and amid the breathless expectation of the crowded court, the foreman announced their opinion that the man was 'Guilty.'

"Directly this word was uttered, the prisoner, who had been leaning as if for support against the side of the dock, raised himself to his full height, stretched out both his hands above his head, and, looking up, exclaimed in a broken voice: 'Not guilty, not guilty.'

"The Judge then asked him, as was usual, if he had any thing to say before sentence should be pronounced, and the prisoner cried hoarsely: 'Not guilty, my lord, not guilty; before Heaven and man, I am innocent of this crime. I never set my eyes on the murdered man; I did no murder. Oh! Captain, Captain"— in his vehemence he addressed the Judge as if he were his officer—'I am as innocent of this crime as the babe unborn.' He paused, then suddenly, in a voice choking with feeling, he exclaimed: "Yes, yes, only one man can save me now; but he can do it, swear what you may. The Lord be thanked, that man is here.'

"A buzz of astonishment ran round the court; the feeling of awe that had held the audience changed to one of amazement.

"'Point him out to me," said the Judge.

"'The man who can save me,' replied the prisoner, 'sits there beside you,' pointing to the astonished Captain Forsyth.

"The Judge turned to Captain Forsyth and said: 'This man appears to know you. Is it the case?'

"'Certainly not,' he replied, much surprised: 'I never saw him before in my life.'

"'Oh, Captain,' broke in the prisoner, 'you remember, I know you, Captain Forsyth. You are never going to swear away an innocent man's life like that?'

"'It is curious, my man,' the Captain replied, 'that you know my name; but I repeat that I never saw you before in my life.'

"'What! Not know John Williams of the Neptune? The coxswain of the Captain's cutter?'

"'Yes, I know John Williams; but you are not he. John Williams was the smartest man that ever served under me, and never likely to stand where you are now.'

"'Captain,' repeated the prisoner, 'I tell you I am John Williams. A long illness, a hard bout of drinking and this cursed imprisonment have made me what I am. And I will prove it, Captain; I will prove it if you will only listen.'

"The sensation caused by this dialogue was immense. The Judge, the members of the bar and the spectators were equally astonished at the curious turn the affair had taken, and, though believing the man to be guilty of a desperate deceit to save his life, were eagerly awaiting what should come.

"'Captain,' continued the prisoner, "I am accused of murdering a man here on June 25, more than nine months ago. Now, tell me, sir, was John Williams—your coxswain—invalided home from the West African station on the last day of that month?'

"'What the man says,' remarked Captain Forsyth to the Judge, 'is perfectly true. His Majesty's ship, the "Invincible," sailed with our invalided men for England on June 30.'

"The prisoner went on: 'Yes, and I arrived in England at the end of July, weak and ill, and getting my prize money went and drank it all away. And that's how it was I was found in Bristol, where I had gone for another ship; and ever since then I have been in this accursed jail.'

"'The fellow is plausible enough,' again remarked Captain Forsyth. 'He is certainly about the heighth of Williams. Well, my man, I suppose you can prove what you say?'

"'Ay, ay, Captain. Do you remember, on the 10th of last June, giving orders for a night raid on the native town of which we lay looking for slavers?'

"'Yes, I do, to be sure.'

"'And that we were five boats in all. And the first to the beach was the Captain's cutter. And the first man to jump out of it was you, Captain.'

"'Well, this is the most extraordinary thing I ever heard!' And turning to the Judge the Captain said: 'Every word of this poor fellow's story is true, my lord. He may have picked it up some where, but I can't help beginning to think there is something behind. My ship is still in foreign service, and I have only returned to take charge of another one.'

"'Well, go on, my man.'

"'One more word, Captain, and may be you will believe me. As we were fighting in the town a great nigger came behind you with his axe and would have cut you in half before you saw him had not a man rushed between and stopped him, with his cutlass; and yet not quite stopped him, for that infernal nigger's axe slipped down the cutlass and gashed the man's head open. Who was that man, Captain?'

"'John Williams,' was the reply, 'the coxswain of my cutter.'

"'Ay, ay, Captain, and here is the cut which that axe made,' and, bending down, he lifted with one hand his long, untidy hair, and with the other pointed to a huge and fearful scar running for several inches along the side of his head.

"Captain Forsyth leaped from his seat.

"'Good heavens, you are right! But how you have changed! My lord, this poor fellow had not sailed from the African coast when the murder was committed; it is impossible that he could be guilty of it. Williams, you saved my life; I thank God I have been able to save yours!'

"At these words every body in the court stood up and cheered the prisoner with the wildest excitement and enthusiasm; the Judge said that in discharging him he must at the same time compliment him on his gallantry; and the foreman of the jury then and there started a subscription for him which came up to something near thirty pounds. Captain Forsyth ordered a chaise to take him post haste to London for the purpose of removing Williams from a place with such horrible associations and of getting him an appointment from the Admiralty. The people insisted on dragging the chaise out of the town with their own hands, the horses were then put to, and amid deafening cheers they drove off—and were never heard of again."

"Why was that?" some one asked, as the Colonel paused.

"Because it was a hoax!"

"What!" we all exclaimed. "A hoax?" We had listened breathlessly to the tale, which the Colonel told admirably, the perspiration standing on his forehead as with horrible reality he personated the desperate sailor.

"Yes," he said, "a hoax. It was all a preconcerted arrangement; the Captain was merely a clever accomplice, who played such parts for those of his associates in crime who came near receiving their reward. This was probably his biggest performance; but though it answered well enough then, in these days of telegraphic communication and multiplied navy lists, it would be simply impossible."—*All the Year Round.*

Women as Inventors.

Up to December 14, 1886, there had been granted to women by the United States letters patent for 1,935 inventions. This is doubtless a good many more patents than the public had thought had been granted to women; yet there really should have been more, and there would have been if women would think more. But then to do that they would have to talk less, which could not be thought of for a moment! Seriously, the household and other branches of women's work furnish a large field for the exercise of their inventive genius, and it begins to look as though they would work it better in the future than they have in the past. Neither should it be overlooked that they have invented many useful things that have never seen the Patent Office, and of which the world has never heard. Woman is not in the habit of proclaiming her achievements with the blare of trumpets.

A Lawyer Outwitted.

Several years ago a young gentleman went to consult a certain attorney how he might carry off an heiress. "You can not do it with safety," said the counsellor; "but I'll tell you what you may do: Let her mount a horse, and hold a bridle and whip; do you then *mount behind her*, and you are safe, for she runs away with you." The counsellor, however, was sufficiently punished for his quibbling advice, when the next day he found that it was his own daughter who had run away with his client!

JAPANESE SHAMPOOERS.

An Hour Under the Merciless Hands of a Professional "Amma."

A Tokio correspondent of the Cincinnati *Commercial-Gazette* writes: "As I am sitting in my room there comes to my ears the sound of a shrill pipe, sounding not unlike a fife. The traveler in Japan, go where he may, almost invariably hears this sound at night, and will be told in answer to his inquiries that the performer is a professional shampooer, or "amma." Many of these people are blind, and at night pass up and down the streets feeling their way with long sticks which they hold in one hand, while with the other hand they play upon the bamboo pipe, which seems to notify the world of their presence. The amma is not a shampooer in the American sense of the term. He does not confine his operations to the head and the hair. He practices what is known by the French as "massage." His art consists in kneading all the muscles of the body and bringing them into play, and he is regarded as a useful functionary, second only in importance to the physician as a healer of physical disorders. The art is practiced not only by men, but also by women, and at almost every inn where I have stopped among the first persons to proffer their services have been the ammas. Only once have I yielded to their invitations to allow my body to be treated like a piece of dough, and that was at Subasbiri, immediately after my descent from Fuji. Tired and aching from the severe exertion of climbing the mountain, the suggestion of Dr. Knipping that it might be well to allow an amma to shampoo us was acceded to, more from curiosity as to the possible result than from any faith in the efficacy of the treatment. The particular amma who came to our room and shampooed us was an ungainly and awfully-ugly woman of middle age, whose blackened teeth when she smiled looked like a row of watermelon seeds set in her face. During the process I had an opportunity to question her fully as to the business, and learned from her quite a number of interesting facts. She informed us that before commencing the practic of her art she had been obliged to serve an apprenticeship of three years, during which time she had read a large number of Japanese books treating of the human body, and especially the muscles and become learned in anatomy and physiology. She has practiced the massage for ten years already, and had by means of it gained her livelihood. She stated that she was able in one evening, from six to ten o'clock, to treat four persons, who paid her a fee of fifteen sen apiece. Her daily earnings were, however, not more than thirty sen on an average, or about twenty-two cents of American currency.

In the operation of shampooing, as practiced by the amma, the patient lies upon a *futon*, or rug, while the amma kneels beside him. The first act in the drama deals with the abdominal cavity. Placing one hand on either side of the abdomen, above the hips, the amma compressed the body laterally a number of times; then, drawing up the loose folds of the flesh, he kneads and pinches them, at the same time making passes which correspond in their direction with that of the colon. This portion of the treatment ended, the leg is attacked and vigorously rubbed and kneaded, the process terminating by a smart fastinado administered to the soles of the feet.

In rubbing and kneading the muscles use is made of a round ball of box-wood, though the amma to whose treatment I submitted employed only her fingers and knuckles. The arms and chest are treated as the legs, and then the patient is turned over, face downward, and the shoulders and back are punched and kneaded until the breath almost forsakes the body. The entire performance ends with a vigorous rubbing of the neck, which in my case, seemed to threaten the dislocation of the cervical vertebræ. The amount of strength in fingers and wrists displayed by the amma is quite remarkable. Our amma shampooed four persons in succession the evening we engaged her, consuming four hours in the task, during which she was working with all her might almost constantly, only stopping to wipe off the perspiration which flowed from her face.

The result of the experiment, so far as I personally was concerned, was, I think, such as to warrant the repetition of the treatment under like circumstances. I awoke on the morrow feeling far less tired and sore than I had reason to believe my mountain-climbing would have left me.

The art of the amma appears likely to survive for a long time in Japan, as it is in some respects founded upon rational principles. This is not, however, the case with the medical practitioner of the old Chinese school, whose practice is swiftly and surely dwindling away as the merits of Western theory and medical practice are becoming more and more recognized. The old style of practitioner with his nostrums and enchantments, his mixtures of villainous herbs and minerals, his powders made of dried snake-skins and bird-dung, is still in the numerical majority when a census of the medical practitioners of Japan is taken, but the young men graduates of the University of Tokio are rapidly absorbing the entire practice among the wealthier and more intelligent classes. The medical department of the Imperial University at Tokio is under the care of German professors, men of thorough ability and experience, and the results achieved during later years have been most marked and most beneficial to the country as a whole. It is the feeling of not a few Europeans resident in Japan that, while always preferring the services of a European or American practitioner, the graduate of the University at Tokio may generally be trusted to treat a patient carefully and well. Not long since I met a lady whose daughter was lying very ill at an inn in one of the interior towns. Her only physician was a young Japanese doctor, with whose treatment she expressed entire satisfaction, and with reason, as the patient has since made an excellent recovery. A concomitant of the introduction of Western ideas as to the practice of medicine is the establishment of good drug stores and apothecary shops in the cities and larger towns. The drugs displayed are for the most part from English and German makers, though, as in American and English stores, there is a formidable array of patent medicines.

Henry Ward Beecher's Grave.

Mr. Beecher's grave is marked by a bed of floral decorations, which are gradually falling to ruin in the rain and winds. The entire mound was originally concealed by a blanket of white immortelles. Across this and woven into it were bands of purple blossoms so arranged that they formed the letters "H. W. B." extending in length to the full width of the grave. The immortelles have turned to a dull brown, and many of the petals have blown away, but the marking of the initials is still distinct.

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BY THE WAY.

—Wednesday, Dec. 21st, will be the shortest day in the year.

—The young folks hope that Signal Service Officer Shaw will order from the weather bureau a Christmas gift of good sleighing.

—Foreman Skelly of the Electric Light Company had an upset on West Front street yesterday. He was riding around in a sleigh, on a tour of inspection.

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And the hen sets in the nest
And the griddle-cake sets nicely in the crop.
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—Mr. A. C. LaBoyteaux has been secured as the leader for the young men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Rooms this evening. Topic: "Christ Our All." Col. 3:11; Eph 1:19-23. A service of even more than usual interest may be expected. All men welcome.

—A comical sight was witnessed by a number of persons at the corner of Park avenue and Second street, on Saturday evening, when several colored females engaged in a snow-balling contest. The contest grew exciting, and the authorities were obliged to interfere.

—Only five contestants appeared on the grounds of the Middlesex Gun Club on Saturday last to shoot for the inanimate target trophies. Mr. Charles Smith won the trophy in Class A for the third consecutive time, and he therefore has it now "for keeps." Warry Squiers won the Class B trophy.

—The glassblowers, who have for the past week been exhibiting to crowded houses in Laing's Hall, have decided to remain in Plainfield for another week. Those who have not witnessed their interesting exhibition should avail themselves of this opportunity. Many beautiful presents are given away each evening.

—Mrs. F. T. Lerned of Madison avenue was seated in a cutter with the coachman, driving along Park avenue at noon to-day. At the corner of Fourth street the horse was suddenly stricken with blind staggers, and fell, breaking the shafts and cutting a deep gash in the animal's nose. Mrs. Lerned jumped from the sleigh, and in doing so lost her pocketbook. It was subsequently found by Lot Marshall and returned to the owner.

Mrs. McNair Alive and Well.

Mrs. Wm. McNair of Scotch Plains who, it is alleged, was brutally beaten by her husband on Monday last, has been traced to Jersey City, where she is said to be stopping with relatives. Prosecutor Steele, of Somerset county, came down on Saturday afternoon, and after consulting the authorities in North Plainfield decided that McNair could be made to answer a charge of felonious assault and battery. Acting under his instructions Justice Austin issued a warrant for Mc Nair's arrest, and on Saturday afternoon Marshal Becker and Constable Bauersachs, equipped with the necessary papers, went to Scotch Plains. The accused was nowhere to be found, but the officers officers were informed of the fact that Mrs. McNair and her baby were being cared for by relatives in Jersey City, where she had sought refuge. The husband, it is said, has gone to Newark.

A FAMILY JAR.

WESTFIELD'S SOCIETY SCANDALIZED.

Mr. Roll is Too Attentive to His Young Ward, And Assaults His Wife —"Developments" Awaited by the Inquisitive.

On Friday last occurred an arrest which has given considerable food for gossip in the quiet town of Westfield. It was the arrest of James Roll upon complaint of his wife, Sarah Roll, for an alleged assault and battery which he committed upon her on Tuesday last. The complaint was made before Justice Mohr of Elizabeth, and the defendant was arrested on Friday morning and brought before Justice Jaques of Westfield who paroled him upon his own security until two o'clock in the afternoon. At that time Prosecutor Wilson was on hand to represent the State, and John T. Dunn, Esq., of Elizabeth, the defendant. Through some misunderstanding as to the notification of the complainant, Mrs. Roll, to be present, it was agreed to postpone the examination until next Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, at which time no doubt some queer family affairs will be developed. With reference to the assault and battery complained of by Mrs. Roll, a PRESS reporter was given the following authentic information on Saturday:

It is alleged that Mr. Roll had become too attentive to a young lady named Miss Elizabeth Woodruff, aged 18 years, who has been an inmate of Mr. Roll's family for about one year, and whom Mr. Roll has been appointed guardian of by the Court of Chancery in the settlement of her grand-father's estate, which consists of a large farm about two miles from Westfield. On last Thursday before the arrest, Mrs. Roll having become satisfied of the alleged intimacy—it is understood—attempted to eject Miss Woodruff from the Roll homestead, and at that time Mr. Roll interfered and committed the alleged assault and battery. The assault was very slight, however, no serious harm being done to the complainant. Mrs. Roll immediately consulted her attorneys, J. R. and N. English of Elizabeth, who advised the course taken. After the alleged assault by Mr. Roll, Mrs. Roll left her home and children and went to Mr. Roll's brother's home. It is understood that Mr. Roll refused his wife the custody of the children of which there are two—a girl aged eleven years and a boy aged four—and which Mr. Roll has placed in charge of Mr. Isaac Lawrence, a farmer residing near Springfield, N. J. Mr. Roll is aged about forty years and married his wife about twenty years ago. She was a Miss Pierson of very respectable family and connections. Mr. Roll, after the death of his father, Brook Roll, inherited a large part of the estate. Miss Woodruff, who as alleged has made all the trouble in the Roll family, is one of seven children of Mrs. Mary Woodruff, who died about one year ago. It is not the first time that Mr. Roll and Miss Woodruff have figured in the courts. About eighteen months ago the mother of Miss Woodruff had Mr. Roll arrested for the alleged abduction of her daughter—which case was tried before the courts in New York and created quite a sensation in the metropolitan papers at the time, which gave a long history of the case together with the pictures of Mr. Roll and Miss Woodruff. In justice to Mr. Roll it should be said he was successful in his defence to that suit. There is no doubt that there will be some exciting developments in the examination on Wednesday next, leading, unquestionably, in the end, to divorce proceedings. A number of witnesses have been subpœnaed to give testimony in the case.

OBITUARY

CHARLES W. VAN SLYCK.

At six o'clock this morning Charles W. Van Slyck died of consumption, in the 29th year of his age, at the residence of his father, William H. Van Slyck, Esq., corner of Second and Church streets. The deceased was of the class of '78 of the Plainfield High School, but left before graduating and subsequently entered at St. Paul, Minn., a branch of his father's extended dry-goods business. Leaving there he built up at Mandan, D. T., one of the most successful establishments in that section of the country. While there he met and married Miss Carrie Wetherbee of Connecticut, who survives him. Because of his failing health, Mr. and Mrs. Van Slyck have been living for the past few months at home with his parents. The funeral will take place from the house on Wednesday.

First on the Road.

Mr. George A. Phillips of Park avenue was the first on the road to reach "Taylor's" at Dunellen, yesterday, and was awarded the bottle of wine given each season by the New Jersey "Gabe Case" to the driver of the first sleigh that calls on him. Other gentlemen owners of fast roadsters, arrived soon after Mr. Phillips and his speedy trotter, "Gypsy Girl."

MUSIC IN THE AIR.

What a Man-About-Town Thought of the Praise Service.

I strolled into church last evening, and was much surprised at many things. I thought I had a *general* idea of what it was all like, but discovered I had been too *particular* in forming an opinion. From the time I entered the *front* door and found myself in the *back* of the church, I was completely at fault in every way. There was not a seat to be had, although the Crescent Avenue Church holds many hundred souls with their accompanying bodies. I had arrived before the service commenced, yet even every private box in the gallery was filled with worshippers, who—an usher told me—had got there and been there since 6:30. The audience filling every seat in the church included members of every denomination in the city. Then I remembered the announcement in THE PRESS of the Service of Song, and ceased to wonder at the size and variety of the gathering. I also remembered how much you had said in praise of Mr. Pierson's choir, and prepared to stay and stand up through it all without a regret.

There was not fifty of the five hundred present, that absorbed the music of Mendelssohn's magnificent Oratorio of Elijah, last evening, as a sermon. Four hundred and fifty, at least, came to enjoy and criticise the service merely from a musical standpoint, yet not half that number would have been there if it had cost anything. If I should speak of the affair in a worldly manner, I should say that remembering the almost unsurmountable difficulties of perfect rendition that Oratorio presents to even the best ten-thousand dollar choir in the country, its presentation last evening in the Crescent Avenue Church, was a thorough success. I must be permitted to remark that in some instances it is marvellous how much Mr. Pierson is always able to accomplish. Now last night's music was away over everybody's head, yet we thoroughly enjoyed Mrs. Myer's solo with its organ obligato by Miss Utter. Mr. H. R. May, who is the tenor of the choir of the "Brick Church," on Fifth avenue, New York, sang "If With All Your Hearts," with more expression than I have ever heard given it. He has much improved since he first sang in this city with the Schubert Society of Brooklyn, in 1882. The quartette, "Cast Thy Burden," was sung with such appropriate expression and perfect effect, that the misfortunes of "O, Come Every One that Thirsteth," could be forgiven. Of the choruses, "He that Shall Endure" was beautifully given by the full choir, and the finale, "And then Shall Your Light," was, as THE PRESS said last Thursday, "grand." The trio for female voices, without accompaniment, "Lift thine Eyes," was—I heard a number of the church people say—"the best thing our young ladies have ever given us." I remember it sung some time ago as a trio by Mrs. Feininger and two of her pupils, and it was then rendered much less perfect. I was so pleased with it last evening that I asked the organ-blower who were the vocalists. He said only the "reglar" ladies of the choir—Mrs. Myers, Miss Holmes, Miss Demarest, Miss Gilbert, Mrs. Struthers, Miss Augusta Holmes, Miss Dunn and Miss Eleanor Demarest.

They have just the biggest organ and the best organist in town. She's small but how she did play the accompaniment to the last chorus. Then her opening selection was a most auspicious introduction, and Gounod's "Grand March Cortege" as a recessional was almost too beautiful for church—if we are guided by pastors other than Mr. Richards who seem to think the more doleful the music the more righteously joyous the praise. The Oratorio was a sermon from Elijah's life preached in sweet harmony, and the Rev. Mr. Richards' few remarks of the same nature, added emphasis to that lesson. If all pastors preach so short and so strongly, you may expect hereafter to meet among the regular church attendants, your

CITY SAUNTERER.

A Compliment From Abroad.

TO THE DAILY PRESS:—In answer to your inquiry as to the cause of the late heavy decline in the prices of coal, I would say that the steady decrease in prices that have been going on now for the past few weeks, and still continues, is due entirely to the enormous and unprecedented production of nearly eight hundred thousand tons per week, which is considerably more than the markets can take. The mild weather could have nothing whatever to do with the decline in prices in face of such a large tonnage thrown upon the markets. The decline in the price per ton to consumers in Plainfield, however, is due—we learn from many sources—to the efforts and power of the DAILY PRESS.

New York, Dec. 17, '87. * * * &. Co.

—The juvenile community will all be amateur firemen on Christmas morning—a vast hose company as it were.

Middlesex Gun Club.

The annual meeting of the Middlesex Gun Club was held at Force's Hotel, Saturday evening, Dec. 17th, with a fair attendance.

After calling the meeting to order President Robinson vacated the chair in favor of Treasurer Geo. P. Suydam, who presided during the balance of the meeting, with Councilman G. W. Watson in his place as Secretary.

There was considerable discussion over the adoption of a portion of the minutes relating to the granting of privilege to four members to use the Club's grounds for a private match, said privilege being granted at a previous meeting. The final result was the adoption of the minutes as read.

The Committee appointed to purchase grounds for the Club's use, reported progress.

The name of Charles E. Quad, of East Orange, was proposed as a new member, and the resignation of Mr. Hess, of Roselle, referred to Secretary.

The Committee appointed to adjudicate claim of Club for dead birds in the Canon-Davis match, reported progress.

The following named were unanimously elected members of the Board of Directors for the ensuing year:

E. M. Robinson, S. G. Smith, Geo. P. Suydam, W. L. Force, M. W. Mulford, F. R. Stevens, A. Worden, J. F. Quimby, Thomas Keller, Jas. H. Force, Andrew Lutkins, John D. Voorhees.

As the fiscal year does not close until Jan. 1st, 1888, the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer will be submitted at a meeting to be held before that date.

The new Board of Directors will meet for organization on Jan. 1st, 1888, and select from their number a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

The affairs of the Club are in a most prosperous condition.

Reform Club Meeting.

Inclement weather and bad walking did not prevent Reform Hall from being well filled last evening. President French was in his accustomed seat, and so was Musical Director Vanderbeek. The Chaplain of the Club, Rev. Mr. Honeyman, being unable to attend, the religious exercises were well conducted by Rev. E. M. Rodman, of Grace Episcopal church. Doctor Rodman, who is an ever welcome speaker in Reform Hall, then delivered an exceedingly interesting and instructive address. His theme was the "Home;" the love of home, however humble; the advantages of having a home; the peril of being without one; and then showing what alone constituted a freeman, and that servitude to liquor drinking was the worst kind of slavery, the enemy to home happiness and worldly prosperity. After giving touching illustrations of that fact, the Doctor urged all the young men present to set about the work of possessing for themselves the blessings of rightly ordered homes.

The Storm.

There was no mistaking the advent of Winter on Saturday evening, when at six o'clock a severe snow storm set in and continued unabated for several hours. The snow gained rapidly on the ground, and early yesterday morning the snow fall averaged about eight inches. The temperature on Saturday evening grew steadily colder and the mercury fell several degrees. In less than two hours after the storm began sleighs were running on the streets. Yesterday was a delightful day for sleighriding and many persons took advantage of it and had their first sleigh ride of the season. The liverymen wore a broad smile as the dollars rolled into their wallets. Today the streets are again alive with merry sleigh riders.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mr. R. O. Elliott, of North Plainfield, recently shot a rabbit at Neshanic, which weighed four pounds when killed and 2¾ pounds when dressed.

The many friends of Will Smalley of Craig Place, North Plainfield, were delighted to see him out of doors on Sunday last, after a confinement to the house of ten weeks by illness.

Rev. Dr. Ketcham pastor of the First Presbyterian church, exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Schenck of the Trinity Reformed church yesterday morning. Dr. Ketcham was welcomed by an appreciative audience, and his sound, practical discourse was attentively listened to.

—While the show windows in Rand's stationery store were being cleaned this morning, one of the large plate glass windows was broken. There was no insurance.

—Messrs. Jones & Co., on Friday got another horse from the Balcom stock farm at Metuchen, making fourteen horses the owner has lost, by death, within the past few months.

—A resident of Newark claims that on Saturday afternoon he met John Reginald Talbot, alias "Lord Courtenay," near the Astor House, in New York. He says that Talbot was stylishly dressed.

"BETHEL, THE HOUSE OF GOD."

Dedicating the New Bethel Mission—Interesting Exercises—Historical Sketch and Progress of the Work and an Address by Rev. W. R. Richards.

The dedication exercises formally opening the new Bethel Mission on East Fifth street, took place yesterday afternoon. The weather smiled propitiously for the occasion and everything about the pretty little structure was "neat as wax," so to speak. The entire building was thrown open for the reception of the scholars and friends of the school, and there was a sprinkling of white people in the audience, which numbered several hundred persons. Rev. Mr. Richards, pastor of the Crescent Avenue Church, conducted the services and was assisted by Rev. Dr. Hurlbut, Rev. Messrs. Hillman and Carey of this city, and Rev. Wm. T. Carr of the Shiloh church of New York city. The singing was of a congregational nature, and was led by Mr. Fred. Andrews, in the absence of Mr. Duxbury, the regular precentor, Miss Kate Kimball accompanying on the organ. The service opened with a hymn, "Come Thou almighty King," etc. Rev. Dr. Hurlbut invoked the Divine blessing, and Rev. Mr. Carr read from the Book of Genesis, 28th chapter. After the congregation joined in singing "Sweet Beulah Land," and Mr. Hillman read a portion of Scripture, Mr. S. A. Ginna, Superintendent of the school, then gave a historical sketch of the Bethel Mission from its organization up to the present time. In substance he said about six years ago the colored children in the Eastern section of the city began to gather in a private house, and were there taught the word of God; six months later the upper story of a building was leased, and as the attendance was rapidly on the increase, meetings were held in addition to the regular Sunday school session. In the Spring of 1884 the building was sold, and during the Fall of that year the Crescent Avenue Church decided to take up the work; at that time there were five teachers and twenty-one scholars; of the teachers all remain with the exception of one, who was forced to give up active duty on account of moving from the city; the ground on which the present structure was erected was purchased and held for a year; three years ago today services were held in the building for the first time; this was at first considered a doubtful undertaking, but the membership increased until the building was inadequate to meet the demand of the fast growing school. Here the speaker said it was safe to say that not a school in New Jersey had more efficient workers than Bethel Mission; some few were prejudiced against the undertaking at first, but they are now among the staunchest friends of the chapel; the subscriptions by members of Crescent Avenue church and Bethel Mission, thus far, amount to about $9,000, and the church starts out entirely free from debt; the total cost for furnishing, carpets, etc., the mission will bear, and $250 of this cost has already been paid in; the Mission is now in a position to do effective work; all the members have come voluntarily; none have been solicited, simply because the room has been limited. In concluding his remarks, Mr. Ginna said addressing the school: "No denominational barriers shall be allowed to interfere with the work; we shall preach Christ before the Creed, and no matter where you belong, all are heartily welcomed here." The building has heretofore been in charge of the Crescent Avenue church session; henceforth it is transferred to the trustees of the church, to whom the officers of the Mission will make their reports.

A hymn, "Beautiful Zion," followed, and Rev. Mr. Richards read a letter of regret from Rev. T. Logan Murphy, expressing his inability to be present and take part in the exercises. Rev. Mr. Richards said other of the city clergymen would doubtless have been present, had it not been on account of services in their own churches. The reverend gentleman said that according to Mr. Ginna's report, this is the Lord's work, not ours, and that this is not our house, but God's; our success, if any has been attained, is because we have been able to understand God's wishes. Today we are baptizing this church. "Bethel, the House of God;" we have dedicated this building and Jesus Christ will dwell in it. His remarks were brief and conveyed a deep meaning into the minds of his hearers; as Mount Vernon is dedicated to the memory of George Washington, the father of this country, now deceased, the speaker said, so is the Bethel Mission dedicated to the memory of Jesus Christ, who has life eternal, and although we cannot see him in person, he is now in our midst and hears the prayers of all; when we enter this building we must remember that God dwells within its walls, and we must conduct ourselves with reverence towards Him at all times. He closed with prayer.

Mr. Ginna announced the evening meeting in the chapel, and requested the members of the school to meet on Thursday evening for the purpose of rehearsing the Christmas music. He said that a beautiful communion set had been presented by Mr. J. Wesley Johnson, and the communion table by Mrs. Penfield; table linen and other necessary articles have been donated, until all the wants were supplied. A hymn entitled, "Crown the Saviour," was sung, and Rev. Dr. Hurlbut dismissed the audience with the benediction.

Bethel Mission starts out under favorable circumstances, and is destined to be of great benefit, especially to the colored people, for whom it was erected. The average attendance at the Sunday school is about 150, although the total number of names enrolled, will exceed that by about fifty. Upwards of thirty of the members are communicants of the Crescent Avenue church, of which the chapel is an auxiliary.

M. E. Church.

A delegation of Unity Lodge, K. of P. was present at the services of this church last evening, upon invitation of the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. B. Van Meter, who delivered an appropriate and highly instructive discourse from Gal—6-2: "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ." The preacher spoke of Moses as the great law-giver and organizer. Out of a mob or multitude of people, bound down by the bondage of four hundred years, he organized a nation which today are still a distinct people, although scattered all over the earth, held intact by the laws which Moses gave them. Christ was not a law-giver but came to fulfil the law. His life being a practical illustration of its fulfillment and bringing out of the law a grandeur and beauty never before known. The preacher dwelt at length upon the laws or methods of mechanism, of the solar system and other laws, but the law that Christ came to illustrate in His own life, was self-devotion to the welfare of others, which had been the subject of prophecy as recorded in Isaiah 53 chapter, as well as of subsequent history. But what concerns us is—How far can we go in bearing each other's burdens? Often no substitute can be found and we must bear our own burdens, but others may help by sympathy. The law of all organizations is that the distress of one shall be divided among many, illustrating the principle of distribution. The progress in the laws of architecture was then spoken of. First—the principle of two uprights and a cross-piece to bear the weight of a structure; then of the arch system; then the gothic system; then the triangle system; then the swinging system, as in the case of the Brooklyn bridge, the idea of all being the distribution of burden from one point to many. So the idea of distribution or burden bearing is being carried out in social life, the necessities of one are met by the co-operation of the many. Money affords relief in distress but sometimes the hand can do what money cannot do, sometimes the tear can do what the purse cannot do. The preacher spoke of the necessary qualifications of applicants for admission into the ranks of the Knights of the middle ages; they were to be—in every sense of the word—burden bearers, the defenders of all that was good and pure, and the protectors of the defenceless; and as they were such, so should we be.

WESTFIELD WISPS.

The Band of Hope give a fair this afternoon and evening, in Temperance Hall.

Westfield "up head!" Collector Pierson paid the county, on Friday last, its full quota of County and State school taxes. He reports the taxes as being paid more promptly than ever before.

The new dwelling houses of Messrs. Sparkman & Seager, Frederick Decker and William Archbold, on the Boulevard, are fast approaching completion. They will be a great improvement and ornament to that portion of our town.

About two weeks ago Mr. M. Weed, who was appointed Principal of our Public School and took charge last September, was compelled by ill-health to resign. Miss Stryker will have charge of the school until after the holiday recess, when a new Principal from Philadelphia will arrive.

A Charming Woman.

Annie Pixley will be the attraction at Music Hall, this evening, appearing in "The Deacon's Daughter." Miss Pixley will be strongly supported and will introduce several new and charming songs and medleys. Annie Pixley was not born in California as is generally supposed, but first saw the light in Brooklyn. At an exceedingly tender age she was transplanted to the Pacific slope. Her school days were spent in a convent in Southern California, and it was while chanting Te Deums and magnificats in the chapel choir that the excellence of her voice was discovered. She sang in concert before she ever thought of adopting the dramatic stage. Miss Pixley's success is fully deserved, and was won only by her perseverance, energy and genuine artistic merit. She is one of the most charming of women, and in private life is dearly beloved by all who are so fortunate as to know her.

DESTRUCTIVE WINDS.

INDIAN TERRITORY VISITED BY A FIERCE CYCLONE.

Forts Washita and Green Wrecked and Almost Destroyed--Many Persons Killed. Horses and Cattle Destroyed.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 19.—A special from Cove, Polk county, reports that a destructive cyclone visited Armstrong Academy, I. T., Fort Washita and Green at an early hour on Saturday morning, causing great destruction of property and loss of life.

The following are the casualties as far as known:

French Adams, United States army, at Washita, killed.

A. B. Lincoln, Washita, killed.

Henderson Jack, Green, killed.

Peter Reson, Green, killed.

Two children, names unknown, killed.

William Covington, Armstrong Academy, both legs broken.

Henry Wait, Washita, arm and leg broken.

Mrs. Wait, Washita, arm broken.

A terrific rumbling sound was heard about five o'clock. It startled the few settlers from their sleep only to awake them to the horror of impending death.

A heavy black cloud, funnel shaped, was seen in the distance and rapidly approaching. When about a mile north of Fort Washita it struck the ground, and from the point south for miles the work of ruin was continued.

The cyclone traveled at about the rate of a mile a minute. In an instant from the time it struck the earth half the houses in Fort Washita were in ruins. Light outhouses and dwellings were picked up and made into kindling wood by the fury of the wind.

Armstrong academy was not greatly injured, but ranchers in the immediate neighborhood suffered greatly.

At Green, a little hamlet six miles south of Armstrong, the damage was very heavy and many persons were injured. Seventeen houses and a general store were carried away bodily, while horses and cattle within the territory covered by the storm king were killed or maimed.

The damage at this time, cannot, of course, be estimated, as the full extent of the storm is not known.

The two children killed at Green were carried about sixty yards by the wind and dashed to the ground, mangled so as to be almost unrecognizable.

Many cattle and other stock were also killed by lightning. The storm only lasted about six minutes at any one point.

ROBERT GARRETT'S GAS STOCK

An Interesting Suit Arising Out of an Unfinished Deal.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 19.—While the Ives-Stayer deal with the Baltimore and Ohio was in progress Robert Garrett conceived the brilliant idea of obtaining control of the gas companies in this city. With this end in view he formed a combination with E. C. Benedict, of New York, the president of Chesapeake gas company.

The arrangement was that Garrett should buy up consolidated stock, and when he obtained a majority of the stock turn it over to Benedict, who pledged himself to accept it providing a controlling interest was obtained. Garret bought right and left at top figures, and delivered them as was agreed.

Now he claims that Benedict has played him false, and files suit in the circuit court against E. C. Benedict & Co., and Henry Fitzhugh, both of New York. He claims that they hold 2,000 snares in trust for him, which they decline to surrender, and that the stock has been placed in the hands of Mr. Fitzhugh without Mr. Garrett's consent.

The bill prays for the constructions of the agreement, a declaration that the trust is ended and that the stock be brought into court; and for an injunction to prevent Mr. Fitzhugh transferring or voting it and that the company be not allowed to transfer or vote it.

An injunction was ordered, a bond of $5,000 having been given by Mr. Frick and Mr. T. Harrison Garrett.

DEATH'S BRIDGE.

Eight Men Killed by An Engine's Fall From a Bridge.

BATHURST, N. B., Dec. 19.—A terrible accident occurred Saturday afternoon near Caraquette Station, on the northern division of the Intercolonial railroad. While the train which left Caraquette at 2 p. m. for Gloucester Junction, in charge of Conductor Danici Kearney and Driver Michael Lanigan, was near McKintoch's Cove Bridge, six miles west of Caraquette, the train men noticed heavy drifts of snow on the west side of the bridge. The train consisted of one passenger car, an engine and a snow plow. Eight section men were aboard for the purpose of assisting in clearing the road of the snow which fell in Friday's storm.

The passenger car was left on the east side of the bridge. The section men, the conductor, Brakeman London, a young man named Frank Mellier, Driver Lanigan and Fireman Boucher, thirteen persons in all, were on the engine.

They then started, but when they got on the bridge the plow and engine left the trace and fell into the river.

Only five men could be found. The rest, eight in number, were pinned down under the engine, which was lying bottom up in the river. The train was running slowly at the time, as they had plenty of time when the got over the bridge to get a run at the bridge.

Mr. Litchman Schooled to Patience.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—In reference to the report that criminal proceedings would probably be the outcome of the present meeting of the general executive board of the Knights of Labor in this city in regard to the expenditures as reported by General Secretary Charles H. Litchman, that officer said to-day: "I have been the victim of an erroneous amount of misunderstanding and vindictive attack since my connection with the Knights of Labor. I have become schooled to patience. This new endeavor to bring me into disrepute with the order and without outside friends will not be successful. If the board should deem it fitting to demand an explanation from me I can assure you that my vindication will be complete. I have not the slightest fear but what my acts will bear the light of the strongest criticism." It was stated that the secretary's printing bill alone for the year was $49,000.

Oyster Dealers Swindled.

SCRANTON, Dec. 19.—Dale & Cox, who opened an office here about a month ago for the sale of oysters at wholesale, have disappeared after swindling oyster dealers in many places in the south as well as in Philadelphia for large amounts. The losers had filled the orders of Dale & Cox in the belief that they were Dale & Co., the widely known commission merchants.

MARINE DISASTERS.

A Number of Vessels Washed Ashore--The Captain of One Vessel Drowned.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 19.—The schooner John James, 51 tons, hence Dec. 16, for Steuben, sprung a leak last night and was abandoned near Halfway Rock. The crew arrived here to-day.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 19.—The brig in collision with the steamer Rhode Island off Bridgeport last night was the English brig Adria, from New York for Halifax. The Adria had her jibboom and port shrouds carried away. She came in here to repair.

SACO, Me., Dec. 19. The schooner Ada May, bound for Portsmouth to Portland, is high and dry on the beach in front of the Cleaves house, at Old Orchard. She had lost both anchors and was driven in by the storm yesterday afternoon. She had no cargo. The crew of six men are safe.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., Dec. 19.—The barge Robena, from New York to Boston, dragged her anchors in this harbor Saturday evening during the easterly gale and went ashore on West Chop, but was floated by the the Storm King, and towed to Head Harbor, leaking. Soon after the Robena struck, the captain and crew took the boat, which was capsized, and the captain, N. P. Fullberg, of Baltimore, was drowned.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Dec. 19. The northeast gale on Saturday night was the worst of the season. The wind shifted yesterday to southeast southwest, and last night it was northwest, blowing heavily, with snow squalls. No wrecks have been reported along Cape Cod yesterday.

PLYMOUTH, Mass., Dec. 19. The United States steam lighthouse tender Myrtle, went ashore on Brown's Island shoal, three-quarters of a mile southeast of Plymouth light, at 6:30 p. m. Saturday. Capt. Holmes and the Gurnet life-saving crew went her assistance, and at 12:30 a. m. yesterday got her out of a position that might have been dangerous had she remained an hour longer. The Myrtle is now anchored safely in the harbor, having sustained no damage.

Saco's Young Bank Defaulter.

SACO, Me., Dec. 19. The rumor current here Saturday that Frank M. McNeally, the clerk in the Saco and Biddeford savings institution, who absconded last August with about $25,000 in cash and securities, is sick and penitent, and has made a proposition to the bank to return the bonds, if thereby he can escape prosecution, is confirmed. Interviews have been had with officers of the bank, but none of them will divulge a single thing, though they practically admit that there is something in the wind. It has been known here for several weeks that McNeally was in England, and there are good reasons for believing that the bank has received, directly or indirectly, communications from him, and that he is endeavoring to negotiate for the return of the stolen securities. It is also learned from good authority that the defaulter is now en route for Halifax from Liverpool and will arrive in a few days. His brother Harry left here for Halifax on Thursday night.

The Gang Makes Another Haul.

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—The gang of burglars made another haul Saturday night. A visit was paid to Newton, and the residence of John C. Farlow of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad was entered. An entrance was effected through the dining room window, and one of the gang went into Mr. Farlow's room, secured a bunch of keys, and with them opened a safe in the dining room. The burglars secured over $2,000 worth of jewelry, including a cluster diamond pin valued at $1,200. Mrs. Farlow awoke and discovered the burglars, but before the inmates of the house were awakened the burglars made good their escape. Less than two years ago Mr. Farlow's house was visited by burglars, who succeeded in getting away with $3,000 of booty.

Not a Golden Field for Baseball Men.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—The expectations of some of the baseball players who came from the east to make money during the winter season have not been realized, and it is now rumored that a number of them, led by the Philadelphia nine, will soon return home. Manager Hart has thirty-five high-priced men, and has only two games are played a week and the gate receipts for each average only $400 or $500, there is a considerable deficit. It is in contemplation by Mr. Hart to organize a nine from those players who wish to enjoy the benefits of this climate, who will play all comers. A meeting of the baseball brotherhood was held last night, at which President Ward announced that new contracts had arrived from the east, and explained provisions.

Ravages of Diphtheria.

ALBANY, Dec. 19.—Diphtheria has been doing deadly work in Schoharie and vicinity recently, there having been twenty-eight cases. In one family four deaths occurred. Most of the fatal cases were among young children, but three persons between the ages of 16 and 20 years have fallen victims to the disease. A careful inquiry into the cause of the disease fails to elicit satisfactory responses. Its ravages have been in the lowlands and on the lowlands, in the villages and on the farms on the hills. Public schools and Sunday schools have been closed for some time. It is now thought that the danger is past and the disease abating.

Morphine for Quinine.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 19.—John N. Wonder, a car inspector of the Pennsylvania railroad at Columbia, died suddenly last Saturday from a supposed affection of the heart. The physician of the railroad relief department became suspicious of the cause of death, and made an examination resulting in showing that a package labeled quinine, the contents of which Wonder had taken, really contained morphia. Judge Livingston has ordered to be exhumed, and Dr. C. T. Markel, druggist, from whom the drug was purchased, and Frank R. Badenbaugh, his clerk, have been arrested charged with causing Wonder's death.

A Pastor Refuses to Resign.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 19. Pastor J. C. F. Grumbine of the Universalist church here, whose sympathy with Henry George displeased some of his flock, has flatly refused to resign as requested by the board of trustees. He advises his freinds not to attend the meeing called to force him to resign, He declares himself as the pastor, and that he will continue.

Distinguished Hibernians.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—At the quarterly meeting of the Hibernian society last evening President Cleveland, William E. Gladstone, Govs. Biggs of Delaware, Beaver of Pennsylvania, Fitz Hugh Lee of Virginia and Gordon of Georgia were elected honorary members.

More "White Cap" Outrages.

ENGLISH, Ind., Dec. 19.—The "White Caps" made another raid last night. They whipped two men and one woman eight miles east of this place.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 16, 1887.

Bayles, Jas	Klepper, John
Bradey, Mr S	Kenny, Edward
Balerbett. Miss Auguste	Kailer, Joseph
Boardman, Miss E H	Lancht, Miss M
Baker, Miss S Louise	Lothrop, Miss
Berley Miss Anna (2)	Martin, Mrs Elizabeth
Bradley, Geo W	Mayhan, H D
Clasek, Oliver G H	Norton, S S
Culvan. Miss Alice	Nedham, John
Gray, Miss M	Smith Miss Minnie
Hanrahan, Miss Kate	Shyle, Miss May
Heorling, Mrs F O	Sloyen, John
Hohn, Miss Julie	Schoonmacker, Mrs G B
Helmer, Fredrick	Thompson, Miss A L
Height, Miss Katie	Williams, Miss Grace
Kiely, Mr.	Walker, H
Kilroy. Mrs E C	Wilson, R F

Persons calling for above please say advertised.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

DEATHS.

BOICE—In Piscataway township, December 15, 1887, Deacon Insley Boice, in his 76th year.

Funeral services from his late residence near New Brooklyn, on Tuesday, 20th inst., at 11 o'clock. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited.

VAN SLYCK—On Monday, Dec. 19th, 1887, Chas. W., son of Wm. H. Van Slyck.

Funeral services Wednesday, the 21st inst., at 2:30 p. m., at the residence of his father. Interment at Valatia, N. Y.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

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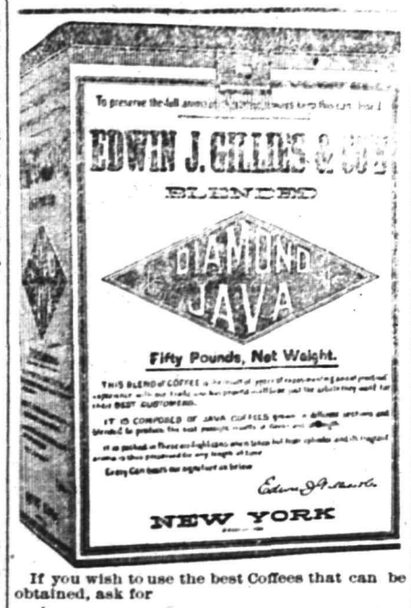

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BURIED IN ONE GRAVE

THE FIVE ANARCHISTS PUT UNDER GROUND.

Mrs. Parsons Is Overcome at the Sight of Her Husband's Placid Face and Falls in a Faint.--Nina's Demeanor.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19. The four anarchists who were hanged on Nov. 11, August Spies, A. R. Parsons, Adolph Fischer, and George Engel, and Louis Lingg, who cheated the gallows by committing suicide the day before were placed in their final resting place in Waldheim cemetery yesterday. There was no disorder. The only dramatic feature of the occasion was brought about by Mrs. Parsons, the dusky wife of the dead anarchist. She kept in the background at the cemetery during the preliminary exercises. A few moments before Capt. Black, chief counsel for the anarchists, concluded his address, some one shouted, "Make way for Mrs. Parsons." The solidly packed crowd gave way.

A passage was made and Mrs. Parsons, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. William Holmes, came forward. The nearest coffin to her was that of August Spies. Her husband's was the second from this. Mrs. Parson's eyes seemed to pick out the casket in which she was interested. At the moment her gaze caught it she gave voice to a wail which startled the crowd. Captain Black paused in his speech, the throng was startled, then came a scream from Mrs. Parsons which reached to the outer circles of the crowd. Thrice she strove to speak, but the words refused to come out, and she sank fainting into the arms of her friends.

Capt. Black came to the rescue by saying in a commanding tone: "Some one take please take some fresh snow and rub the lady's face." Three men made soft snowballs, rubbed Mrs. Parson's temples, and when she showed signs of consciousness she was carried away.

The immediate relatives of the dead men left the city at 10 o'clock in carriages. They started from 636 Milwaukee-avenue. At this place is a saloon over which is a hall where laborers meet. It was chosen for the reason that it was a central point for the chief mourners. The public went by train from the Wisconsin central depot, miles away from the other place. The first train to start was the regular suburban one. It consisted of six cars, partially filled. Half an hour later the special funeral train pulled out of the yard. There were ten cars behind the engine. These cars contained not over 800 people. There was no sorrow displayed by the occupants. In fact, the demeanor of the people was that of a picnic party. Smoking was indulged in by nearly all of the men, and the women displayed only curiosity.

When the train arrived at Waldheim station, a stampede was made for the cemetery. The crowd gathered around a lot situated about 1,200 feet from the entrance. The vault in which the bodies had been kept was a few hundred feet to the north. Quickly the coffins were taken from the vault and carried to the spot where the expectant crowd was assembled. Spies's coffin came first, borne by six members of the Aurora Turn Verein, Fischer's second, the pallbearers being members of Typographical Union No. 9; Parsons's was in the hands of members of his old assembly, No. 1,307, Knights of Labor; Engel's was taken care of by the German frescoe painters' union, and Louis Lingg's remains were carried by a committee of Carpenters's Assembly No. 241. On Spies's coffin were flowers and red ribbon; Fischer's was similarly decorated. On Parsons's were bouquets of simple red and yellow roses, and these modest emblems served to bring out in bold relief the red clothes which covered the caskets of Engel and Lingg.

The undertakers removed the lids from the coffins at the same time that the chief mourners took their places. Among the latter were Chris and Ferdinand Spies, with their sister Gretchen and their aged mother; Nina Spies, with her father; Elsa Friedel, Lingg's girl; Mrs. Fischer, with her daughters; Mrs. Engel, and Mrs. Schwab, whose husband is in the penitentiary. All of the women were dressed in heavy mourning. Nina Spies was a study. Not a sign of emotion appeared on her features. She chatted continuously with Capt. Black. The only one who shed tears at this time was Gertrude Gretchen Spies.

J. B. Buchanan acted as master of ceremonies. Mounting a box he directed the crowd to file past the coffins to take a last look at the faces of the dead. Before the addresses began a memorial hymn was sung by the Milwaukee Socialist Maennerchor. Then Capt. Black spoke. His address was remarkable in that it upheld in most fervid and eloquent terms Christ as the example for his hearers to follow. His English audience appreciated it, but the Germans, who were nine-tenths of the listeners made no signs of approval. After Capt. Black came Paul Grottkau of Milwaukee, who was followed by Albert Currin of St. Louis. Both the speakers were frequently applauded.

Mr. Buchanan then ordered the lids of the caskets screwed on. The grave which had been prepared to receive the remains of the five anarchists had been dug 100 feet north of where the ceremonies took place. It was 12 feet deep and leading to it was an inclined plane dug out of the earth. At the bottom of the receptacle is a block of granite on which rests a bed of cement. Granite blocks are the walls and the top are two blocks of granite at least a foot thick. This stone-incased cave was made to fit exactly five pine boxes in which the five caskets were quickly placed. The remains were carried down the incline and the sexton and his assistants as quickly placed them in position. Spies lies to the west, his head to the north, and beside him lies in order Fischer, Parsons, Engel and Lingg.

Reading Employes in Council.

ELIZABETHPORT, N. J., Dec. 19.—A convention of the Reading railroad men began here yesterday. There are 300 delegates from local assemblies of the Knights of Labor on all branches of the road in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, representing miners, coal handlers, iron workers, and general railroad men. Three sessions were held with closed doors and the delegates are uncommunicative. The object of the meeting is to discuss all labor questions directly effecting Reading men, particularly with reference to the Lehigh miners' strike. It was resolved to stand by the strikers in their demand for eight per cent. advance and all local assemblies will be urged to contribute financial aid.

Steel Works Suspend.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 19.—The converting, blooming, and rail departments of the Edgar Thompson steel works at Braddocks, Penn., were closed Saturday and the employes notified that for the present there would be no work for them. It is understood that the rail mill suspension is for an indefinite period, but that the blooming and converting departments will resume after the annual repairs have been made. The shut-down will throw several thousand men out of employment.

IS WAR IMMINENT?

AUSTRIA WILL KEEP PACE WITH RUSSIA'S MOVEMENTS.

O'Brien Must Change Tone of He Will Serve Another Term--Premier Tirard to Workingmen.

VIENNA, Dec. 19.—The military council in this city Saturday was presided over by Emperor Francis Joseph. Previous to, and after the council the Herr von Tisza had a conference with Count Kalnoky. The council resolved that the unexpended portion of the 52,000,000 florins voted last spring shall be applied to the purchase of equipment and construction of huts for troops in Gilicia.

No increase of the forces now in Gilicia has yet been decided upon, and if there is no further augmentation of Russian troops on the frontier, Austria will adhere to the policy of observation. Another military council has been summoned for to-day.

It is semi-officially announced that the cabinet shares in the belief that good relations with Russia will be maintained. No difference exists except with respect to Bulgaria. Austria is ready to assist in a pacific solution of the problem, but the announcement in the *Invalide Russe* that Russia projects a whole series of military measures, of which the recent increase of forces in Poland is only a part, enjoins increased military vigilance. Austria must keep pace with Russian plans. Count von Taafe and Count von Tisa agree that the summoning of the delegations in the meantime would be inopportune.

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—The *National Zeitung* says that General von Schwaitts, the German ambassador to Russia, returns to St. Petersburg with conciliatory instructions. Prince Bismarck councils Austria, while strengthening her military position, to avoid giving provocation to Russia.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 19. Russia's endeavors to raise a loan here and in Amsterdam have failed.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The Vienna correspondent of the *Daily News* says; "Austria and Germany are acting like one nation in regard to the war scare. Austria takes no step without Germany's approval."

COERCION TO BE PRESSED.

O'Brien Must Change Tone or He Will Serve Another Term.

LONDON, Dec., 19.—The government, as the result of Saturday's discussion of Irish matters in the cabinet council, is determined to prosecute the editor or publisher of every newspaper publishing reports of meetings of league branches whose suppresion has been proclaimed, and it is asserted that Mr. O'Brien will be arrested the moment his present term expires, unless his paper *United Ireland*, ceases in the meantime its persistent repetition of the offence for which its editor was indicted and jailed.

It is probable that the present week will witness a vigorous enforcement of the Crimes act in Ireland, in pursuance of instructions issued yesterday and dispatched post haste to Dublin castle.

Premier Tirard to Workingmen.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—Premier Tirard, in distributing the rewards of the syndical chambers of industry and building, said that work was the great foundation of modern society, and the government was prepared to encourage private initiate, and as far as possible, to give work to those who sought it. He added that the great public works carried out in recent years had somewhat disturbed the finances of the country, but they were indispensible in order to combat foreign competition.

The Pope and Irish Affairs.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Speaking of the rumored interference of the Pope in Irish affairs, Mr. Dillon said last evening that while he deeply revered the authority of the Pope in matters of faith, he would as soon think of submitting to the Sultan of Turkey as to him in matters politically.

Panic in a Theatre.

VIENNA, Dec. 19.—During a performance of Strauss's operetta "Simplicious" Saturday evening a terrible panic was caused by a false alarm of fire. The audience rushed to the staircases and caused a terrific crush. Order was not restored until ten minutes had elapsed.

Riotous Workingmen in Spain.

MADRID, Dec. 19.—Serious disturbances have occurred in Catalonia, requiring the presence of troops to preserve order. The trouble originated in the closing of factories caused by the depression of trade.

Converted to Home Rule.

LONDON, Dec. 19. Sir T. F. Grove, member of parliament for the Wilton division of Willshire, who was elected as a unionist-liberal, has become a Gladstonian.

Fighting in Syria.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—The *Official Messenger* says there has been a conflict in Syria between Bedouins and Druses, in which the latter had 160 killed and 300 wounded.

Anxiety About Stanley.

BRUSSELL, Dec. 19.—The absence of intelligence from Stanley in the mails received from the Congon yesterday gives grave cause of alarm for his safety.

Bequest of a French Spoliation Claim.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—The will of Mrs. Glovin Fort was admitted to probate yesterday and is as follows: "If I receive the money due me from the United States government for a French spoliation claim. I give and bequeath the same to my daughter during her life and on her death the same shall go to the poor widows of St. Andrews's church, Eighth st. above Spruce st., the money to be held by the church and dispensed by the rector."

Dr. Fulton Modifies His Book.

BOSTON, Dec. 19. The controversey between Rev. Dr. Fulton and Rand, Avery & Co., regarding the printing of the reverend gentleman's book has been settled after correspondence between parties interested. Dr. Fulton will modify the passages in his work which were objectionable and the firm will go on with the manufacture of the book.

Urging Co-operation.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 19.—The striking flint glass workers are in constant receipt of letters from all parts of the country offering land and capital for the establishment of co-operative factories. A letter from Stoneboro, Penn., to-day, offered seven acres of land and $12,000 in each.

Fearing a Fall in Prices of Coke.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 19.—It is believed that if the new coke syndicate is not formed, cutting of rates will begin next month. At present the great demand sustains prices.

HARVESTING "THE WEED."

Pennsylvania Farmers Exultant Over Their Year's Tobacco Crop.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 19.—Since the tobacco crop was put into barns and sheds last September, the grower has been anxious for damp weather, so that the hand sprinkler and steam need not be employed to prepare the weed for stripping. These means are not satisfactory, as the necessary degree of dampness cannot be obtained, and the process is slow and requires a great deal of extra labor. The fog and rain of the past few days were exceptional for this time of year and have put the crop in excellent shape.

Thousands of men, women and children are now busy stripping and the great staple will be ready for the market earlier than usual. There is much rejoicing in consequence throughout this county, which is the first agricultural district among all the agricultural districts of the United States, the rich Monroe county, of New York, ranking second. The total value of the annual products of Lancaster county is $10,000,000, one-fifth of which comes from the tobacco crop. The average yield for the past seven years is 14,367,857 pounds. In no one year since 1870 has a crop of less 10,000,000 pounds been gathered. The largest crop of tobacco ever raised in any county in the Unitee States was grown in this county in 1879, and weighed 18,000,000 pounds.

Although the acreage has decreased somewhat since 1879, this year's crop will not fall much below that yeld, the favorable weather having brought it to maturity. Havana seed lost in favor a year ago, and the consequence is that more seed leaf was farmed. No sales of the latter grade have been reported this season, but buyers have purchased largely of the Havana goods, paying in some few cases as high as thirty cents per pound for wrappers. The crop has cured well, is not perforated by worms and insects and is of fine texture and flavor.

This city is the centre of the Pennsylvania trade and, next to New York, is the largest seed leaf tobacco market in the country. Here are located one-half of the two hundred large warehouses in the county, and during the season of delivery, which begins after the holidays, the avenues are blockaded with teams. On some days the receivers pay to the farmers, in checks, from $200,000 to $300,000.

The total yield of tobacco in Lancaster county since 1860 was 300,000,000 pounds, and this added $30,000,000 to the wealth of the district. This year's crop will increase the total about $2,000,000 more, and among those who will receive a goodly portion of it are Gen. Simon Cameron, Senator J. Donal Cameron, whose broad acres are in the Donegals; Col. James Duffy and Bernard J. McGrann, the defeated candidate for state treasurer.

Risking Death to Escape the Flagship.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—Several days ago a sailor who was imprisoned on the English flagship, Triumph, now lying in San Francisco Bay, jumped through a port-hole and swam ashore, a distance of several miles. He was pursued, but a strong gale was blowing, and darkness coming on he reached the wharves, where he would have perished from exhaustion but for a watchman, who dragged him to land. His example has been followed by other sailors on the Triumph. Henry Ryder and John Stanley jumped from the Triumph and swam against the outgoing tide for four hours and were found unconscious on the surface of the water by fishermen four miles down the bay from the Triumph's anchorage. When able to walk they made their way to a sailors' boarding-house, and will be shipped on a merchant vessel, sailors being in great demand here.

Exonerating a Pastor.

PROVIDENCE, R. I. Dec. 19.—With regard to the recent scandal about the Rev. George H. Tilton of Rehoboth, which has stirred up the town and which consisted of certain statements made by Mrs. Lillie Carpenter and her husband to the effect that the minister had made insinuating remarks to her and connecting his name with another woman, friends of the pastor have now come forward with affidavits to relieve the pastor of the reflections. The report of the investigating committee exonerates the Rev. Mr. Tilton of all charges, and in an affidavit Mrs. Carpenter states that she and her husband withdraw all their past utterances.

Ex-Public Printer Rounds Dead.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 19.—S. P. Rounds, editor and principal proprietor of the Omaha *Republican*, died at 8.50 o'clock Saturday evening at his residence in this city, of pneumonia, after an illness of ten days. Mr. Rounds had been a resident of Omaha a little over a year. He came here from Washington after resigning the position of public printer which he held for four years. For many years before going to Washington he was proprietor of a printer's supply house in Chicago. Mr. Rounds was well known all over this country.

Finding a Counterfeiter's Den.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec 19. This town has lately been flooded with counterfeit coins, but all efforts to unearth the counterfeiters failed until yesterday, when a den was discovered on an island in the Arkansas River, and a large quantity of spurious dollars and other coins were found, together with dies and other apparatus for making them. Two men were in the den at the time, but they eluded the officers.

Nina Shows Signs of Insanity.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—In a letter to the *Labor Inquirer* Nina Spies refers to an alleged dinner, which was had the evening after the anarchists' execution, at which, she says, the advisability of hanging herself and Mrs. Parsons was discussed by the men whom she styles "the citizens' association's tools." She says that the dinner cost $89.

Failure of Stone Contractors.

BIDDEFORD, Me., Dec. 19. The firm of James Andrews & Son, Stone contractors and owners of the large granite quarries about two miles from this city, have gone into insolvency. The firm for a year or more have been engaged in contracts involving hundreds of thousands of dollars.

A Young Incendiary.

SCRANTON, Dec. 19.—Llewellyn Dean, age nine, has been held for trial on a charge of setting fire to the barn at the Briggs shaft, a loss of $3,000 having been caused. He had been reprimanded by the foreman, and in revenge fired the structure.

Pensions for Confederate Soldiers.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 19.—Both branches of the legislature have passed a bill pensioning all disabled soldiers in this state who fought in the army and navy of the confederacy. It will cost $50,000 annually.

Burned to Death.

HAMBURGH, N. Y., Dec., 19.—The home of an aged couple named Bauer took fire early this morning. They were too old and feeble to escape and both perished.

Professional Cards.

WM. K. McCLURE,
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Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

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Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

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Alleged Case of Restoration to Health by the Power of Prayer.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 19. There is great interest here in a reported faith cure, to say the least, quite remarkable, inasmuch as physicians have failed to cure the patient. W. H. Loughhead, a citizen whose integrity is well known, residing at 105 West Hudson street. The family are believers in the second advent of the Saviour and observe Saturday as their Sabbath. On December 8 Mrs. Loughhead was taken ill with a disease of the stomach which threatened her life in spite of the efforts of physicians. She became weaker daily, greatly alarming her family, but finally bethought herself of the instructions contained in the Epistle of James, verses 13, 14 and 15. Placing her faith in these scriptural promises she sent for Dr. Loughhead, an elder of the Second Adventist society at Alba, who came at once to her bedside.

On Monday evening at 9 o'clock a season of prayer was held in the patient's room. These devotions were participated in by Dr. Loughhead, the patient and her husband, their son William and one or two others. At their close the elder anointed Mrs. Loughhead with a sweet oil and taking her by the hand said:

"Sister, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, I command you to rise." Mrs. Loughhead arose and walked to a chair in another room. She says all pain left her, and she ate some rice, not having been able before for several days to retain any food on her stomach. She is now about her household duties, having experienced a rapid recovery. The cure is the first of the kind that has occurred in Elmira. The family is a highly reputable and no one seems to doubt the truth of the circumstances reported. It is well known that Mrs. Loughhead was dangerously ill and now strangely well. Said a neighbor: "It is very strange, but if Mr. and Mrs. Loughhead says it is so, I believe it to be true."

Brewers Boycotting Prohibition States.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Considerable stir has been caused here by the fact that the Keeley brewing company had instructed its brokers to buy no barly grown in or shipped from the states of Iowa or Kansas. The instructions to the brokers read as follows: "When purchasing barley for our account you must have a guarantee from the seller that the barley was not grown in either of the states of Iowa or Kansas, or shipped from any town in either of those states." Louis Huck, the millionaire maister, said the deliberations of the brewers' association were held in secret. If there were such a movement as intimated, he would join it heart and soul. The farmers of Iowa were hypocrites. he declared, claiming to believe in prohibition, and raising barley for the manufacture of whisky and bear.

Couldn't Swear Falsely.

LEBANON, Pa., Dec. 19.—The case of Wm. Showers, who has been on trial for several days charged with having murdered his two grandchildren, was left at the mercy of a jury Saturday night, and they were deliberating at a very late hour. A most dramatic scene occurred during the closing hours of the trial, when Stephen Showers, a son of the accused man, took the stand this evening and testified in reference to the letters which his father had written him from the prison, asking him to swear falsely so as to clear the old man. The son said that he could not take a false oath even to save his own father's neck. The jury yesterday brought in a verdict of guilty

Will They Indict the Mayor?

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19.—Rumors were current Saturday that an attempt will be made to indict Mayor Smith, together with the late clerk of the police board, Dick Johnson. Mayor Smith sent Johnson to Kentucky to buy horses, and on Johnson's return the mayor approved the bills, which were afterwards declared fraudulent. Johnson was discharged and the matter dropped until last night, when Prosecutor Pugh asked for the papers in the Johnson investigation, thus starting the report of Mayor Smith's intended indictment. Johnson's offence is the same as that for which Charley Doll is now under sentence to the penitentiary for two years.

Lives in a Red Hot Fire.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 19.—As Mrs. R. G. Astherton of Lyons drew a pail of water from a well yesterday morning she saw a bright red reptile, resembling a lizard, 3 3-4 inches long, in the pail. She threw the reptile into the stove, where there was a hot coal fire. One hour later she was surprised to find the reptile skipping merrily about on the red hot coals. She called in Dr. Freyand, who says it is a genuine salamander and a fine specimen. He put it into a fire of 475 degrees Fahrenheit, as high as his crucible would allow, and yet the reptile showed no signs of discomfiture.

Damages Awarded an Author.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 19.—In the circuit court here Abi Jackman sued Mrs. Hannah Perkins for 1,500 claimed for writing the latter's life in the form of a romance, to be published under Mrs. Perkins's name. Mrs. Perkins wished to rival Narietta Holly, so that the lady could not walk by her "with her head up." The best lawyers of the county were engaged on both sides and the interest in the case was widespread. The jury rendered a verdict after six hours' deliberation for the plaintiff for $1,638.75. Judgment and levy were ordered.

A Shoe Strike Settled.

MARBLEHEAD, Dec. 19.—The lockout at B. E. Cole & Co.'s shoe factory we practically settled Saturday morning. The firm finally agreed to have the matter left for settlement by the state board of arbitration. The agent of the cutters went to Boston and met J. Brown, jr., of the firm at the office of the state board, where arguments were made out and filed. Notices were posted ordering all the old cutters back to work at the old prices pending a final decision. All the cutters will return on Monday.

For Robbing a District-Attorney.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 19.—Thomas Reynolds, who was arrested in Providence on Thursday, charged with breaking and entering the house of District-Attorney Knowlton, in this city, and larceny of twenty-three silver spoons, was before the district court in this city Saturday and bound over in the sum of $5,000 to the superior court. Reynolds was born in Poughkeepsie and claims to belong in Gloucester.

The Oklahoma Boomers.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 19.—Col. E. C. Cole, one of the acknowledged leaders of the Oklahoma boom in the past, has just returned from that country, accompanied by several colleagues. His trip, which lasted nearly four weeks, was made in the interest of the present movement. He is very reticent about giving information concerning the "New Crusade," as it is called, but admitted that before long another great effort will be made to occupy the coveted country.

[illegible] FOWL.

When the chill Novembers darken,
When suns in the South dip low,
I look to the skies and hearken
To the sounds that come and go,
Far overhead, far overhead,
Above the winds that blow.

Like a wedge-shaped airy legion
Swift are they sailing by,
To a far-off Summer region,
To a sunny sky,
And ever the air is noisy
With their clanging cry.

Borne upon tireless pinions,
Downward from Labrador,
They seek their fair dominions
By many a Southern shore,
Fleeing from the ice-king,
The winter's drift and roar,

To the swamps of Louisiana,
To Floridian lagoon,
Where Nature's gorgeous banner
Waves in perpetual June,
Onward with flight unceasing,
Voicing their stirring tune.

And my spirit joins them, sailing
Down to a Summer sky,
My voice blends with their hailing,
Their cheery, clanging cry,
As the continent spreads beneath us,
As a hemisphere rolls by!

JAMES FRANKLIN FITTS.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM.

Strange Sights Seen at the Big Blaze in July, 1865.

The burning of Barnum's winter quarters in Bridgeport recalls to all who remember it the excitement over the burning, in midday and in the heart of the business portion of New York, of the original Barnum's Museum, on July 13, 1865.

There were present there, says the New York *Tribune*, all the circumstances that could contribute to a sensational conflagration—the museum crowded with visitors and employes, not only of the "moral show," but also of the theater, which Mr. Barnum euphemistically called "the lecture room;" the multitude of animals, great and small, wild and tame, harmless and venomous or carnivorous, the possible escape of which kept all the spectators on the qui vive; the proximity of important buildings endangered by the fire, as St. Paul's Church and the Astor House, from the windows of which "Fighting Joe Hooker," fresh from the field of battle, viewed the fire; the exciting and demonstrative methods of the old fire department, for which the subjugation of this fire was one of the last conspicuous triumphs; and the stoppage of all traffic on the busiest thoroughfare on the continent.

The interest in the fire for the surging crowd that gathered was constantly whetted by incident after incident, and by the appearance one after another of the familiar "freaks" of the great Barnum collection. At no time was the excitement greater than when Anna Swan, the giantess, with the fat lady on one arm, and the long-haired, pink-eyed albino on the other, pressed through the multitude and sought safety and seclusion from a non-paying audience in a Fulton street hotel. After them filed the ballet girls, partly ready for rehearsal of the new "transformation" extravaganza.

Harrison, the vocalist who improvised impromptu verses on the people in the lecture-room, told how the proprietors of a basement billiard-room objected to having the wax "figgers"—which seemed to be the concern of nearly all who tried to save anything—dragged through their place, not knowing there was a fire. The intrepid fireman who lowered from a window the effigy of "Jeff" Davis in petticoats was hooted for his pains by the crowd. When Daniel Lambert's bulky form was handed down, its waxen form dripping with fire born perspiration, all hands were raised to assist what was taken to be the fat woman.

The street gamins were facetious over what was supposed to be going on within the burning building, and called loudly for "boiled whale," "fried snakes," "broiled monkey," "roast elephant" and other delicacies of the occasion. "Pitch me out the boa constrictor," shouted one, "I want it for a tippet." "How are you, Learned Seal?" heartlessly called another. But "Ned," who had delighted many by his intelligent tricks, was safe enough. He and the brown bear, who was said to have clambered down the fire-escape, were the only animals saved alive. "Samson," the man-killing grizzly, had been removed from the museum before the fire.

The whistle of the then new steam fire [illegible]ne attracted much attention, but before it was learned where the noise came from it was thought to be the elephant, escaped and trumpeting on the street, and there was a general dash for the railings of St. Paul's church-yard. The steeple of St. Paul's was at one time in danger, and George Washington's billiard-table—the same, probably, over which he uttered what a local comic paper recently quoted as his only prevarication: "I don't play any thing like the game I used to"—was destroyed in a billiard saloon reached by the fire. Business was deserted and the stores within a long radius from Broadway and Ann streets were closed, partly against thieves and partly that the proprietors might see the fire. A few days after the burning Mr. Hurd, Mr. Barnum's son-in-law and partner, recovered from his safe $500,000 in Government bonds.

The peculiar circumstances of this fire—the interesting living contents of the building, and speculation as to what all the animals would do when they got loose—offered a temptation to the descriptive writers of the press too strong to resist. Imaginative accounts of the occurences on the menagerie floor were deftly woven into most of the local stories of the fire, and most of them were generally regarded as what might have happened, or at least as having been "true in the time of them." Among these, a fanciful narrative printed in the *Tribune* and written by Nathan D. Urner was widely copied in the press of that day, and has been numbered since among the newspaper classics.

Attracted by the howls from the third floor of the museum, where the animals were kept, he repaired to his room at Broadway and Ann streets, opposite Barnum's, where he ensconced himself behind a protecting bulwark of matresses, leaving a peep hole at the top through which he had an unobstructed view of all that occurred among the howling beasts across the way.

"With a simultaneous bound," he wrote, "the lion and his mate sprang against the bars of their cage, which gave way and came down with a great crash, releasing the beasts which for a moment, apparently amazed at their sudden liberty, stood in the middle of the floor lashing their sides with their tails and roaring dolefully." Other beasts of the desert being in various ways released, "a horrible scene in the right hand corner of the room, a yell of indescribable agony, and a crashing, grating sound "indicated that the polar bear and the tiger were added to the maddened throng, when "the flames and smoke momentarily rolled back, and for a few seconds the interior of the room was visible in the lurid light of the flames, which revealed the lion and tiger locked together in close combat."

The monkeys perched, terror-stricken, on the window-ledges, the snakes writhed [illegible] scorched and blistered by the heat, a tongue of flame singed every hair from the cat's body, "the delicitous adder was slowly burning in two, and busily engaged in impregnating his organic system with his own venom," and, just then, the fire burned out the bottom of the "Happy Family" cage, precipitating the entire connection into its future home. The whales and alligators were suffering dreadful torments. The water in which they swam was literally boiling, and, at last, happily for them, the tank burst and they rolled out on the floor, to die, gasping, or to meet other speedy ends. "The remaining alligator became involved in a controversy with an anaconda, and joined the melee in the center of the flaming apartment."

The tropical birds, cockatoos, mocking-birds, humming-birds, etc., mercifully released when the fire broke out, escaped to the open air, and caused great excitement in the crowd, as they took wing. "There were confined in the same room a few serpents, which also obtained their liberty; and, soon after the rising and devouring flames began to envelop the entire building, a splendid and emblematic sight was presented to the wondering and up-gazing throng. Bursting through the central casement, with flapping wings and lashing coils, appeared an eagle and a serpent wreathed in fight. For a moment they hung poised in mid-air, presenting a novel and terrible conflict. It was the earth and air (or their respective representatives) at war for mastery; the base and the lofty, the groveler and the soarer were engaged in deadly battle. At length, the flat head of the serpent sank, his writhing, sinuous form grew still, and, wafted upward by the cheers of the gazing multitude, the eagle, with a scream of triumph, and bearing his prey in his iron talons, soared toward the sun."

The tendency on the part of the firemen to save the wax figures gave occasion for a picture of the "Dying Brigand" throttled and tucked under the arm of red-shirted "Mose;" liberties taken with the "tearful Senorita,' who has so long knelt and so constantly wagged her doll's head at his side;" Franklin Pierce and Buchanan seized by the coat collars and made up into a bundle along with the Prince Imperial of France and the "Veiled Murderess;" Tom Thumb torn asunder by two competing boys; Patrick Henry with his teeth knocked out; George Washington twisted by the heat until his head lay in the lap of Molt Pitcher; James Madison executing a Dutch polka with Madame Roland on one arm and Lucrezia Borgia on the other; and P. T. Barnum, disgusted with the whole affair, falling at full length and melting away, glad to see no more.

The snakes were represented as escaping from the building and through the terrified crowd, "several of the copperhead species, escaping the fury of the tumultuous masses and, true to their instincts, seeking shelter in the *World* and *News* offices; the black bear wandered down to Wall street and caused a heavy fall in stocks until carelessly operating for a fall he tumbled down the Custom-House steps, when shares advanced again and the bulls triumphed once more.

"After the fire several high-art epicures groping among the ruins found choice morsels of boiled whale, roasted kangaroo and fricasseed crocodile. * * * Probably the recherche epicures will declare that the only true way to prepare those meats is to cook them in a museum wrapped in flames, in the same manner that the Chinese, according to Charles Lamb, first discovered roast pig in a burning house, and ever afterward set a house on fire with a pig inside when they wanted that particular food."

GOOD NEWS FOR GIRLS.

Gum-Chewing Elevated to the Level of an Accomplishment.

The devotion of the American girl for gum has been remarked for lo! this many a year, says the New York *Sun*, but the habit of gum-chewing has remained until the present season in all its pristine simplicity. The gum has been bought in small quantities at the druggist's or the confectioner's and has been masticated with due frankness. At last some enterprising genius with an artistic temperament has come to the relief of the girls who are addicted to the habit, and by one great stroke has elevated it to the level of an accomplishment. He has done this by what is called a "gum-board." The girls decorate the sides of the frame, pin silk ribbons upon the corners, hang it upon the walls of their chambers, and in some cases have even gone so far as to issue orders for special gum-boards to be made that in color and form shall harmonize with the furniture in their apartments. Heretofore the discoverer of a particularly choice morsel of tutti-fruitti or spruce has been obliged when occasion demanded the relinquishment of the chew, to stick it upon the mantel-piece, or upon the window frame, or, when retiring, upon the bed-post. The objections to this method of preserving the morsel are apparent and well known to all who have tried it; if placed upon the bed-post or window frame it is liable, upon being taken off again to resume the mastication, to carry some flavor of paint with it during the first few chews. This of course, is disagreeable in itself, and more so because it detracts from the esthetic enjoyment of the gum. On the other hand, if the gum is placed on the marble mantel, it is liable to take up with it, when removed, some of the dust that inevitably lingers upon any piece of furniture, in spite of the most careful attention of the housemaid.

The gum-board is designed to overcome all these disagreeable features of the preservation of the chew. It is made of highly-polished slate and is surrounded by a frame which makes the board itself set in about an inch or a little more from the level of the frame. Then there is a nice glass door on hinges that shuts in upon the gum-board, thus protecting it from dust. When the girl, then, has chewed a sufficiently long time upon her gum or is interrupted in the process of her esthetic enjoyment by callers and is under the necessity, therefore, of using her teeth and tongue for conversational purposes, she simply opens this glass door, presses the gum upon the polished slate, closes the door, and leaves it, confident that when she wishes to return to her delectable pleasure the morsel can be taken up free from any heterogeneous matter.

Snakes in His Foot.

A young man named Conrad Dierck had been working for Frank Kennedy, a farmer at West Flatbush, L. I., during the summer, and was accustomed to go barefooted while picking up potatoes and other truck. Some few weeks ago a swelling appeared at the bottom of his foot, causing him considerable pain, and one morning recently this lump burst and three small snakes wriggled out of it on the bed-clothes. This singular occurrence may have been caused through the snake eggs becoming secreted in a skin crack on the foot and therein germinating.

Hiccoughed for Nine Days.

Dr. J. J. Dunlop, a venerable physician of Waterford, N. Y., is now recovering from an attack of hiccoughs that caused him terrible suffering for nine days. He had no relief from the complaint except while he slept. As soon as he awoke the hiccough would again attack him and continue until he slept. For a few days his life was dispaired of, and he gradually grew weaker until last Saturday, when the distressing malady left him.

HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES.

A LITTLE salt and copperas water should be added to the whitewash with which the cellar is periodically coated.

BEEF that is thought to be tough may be made tender by brushing over with vinegar or salad oil, several hours before cooking.

AN excellent remedy for a cough is the juice of a roasted lemon upon some powdered sugar. Take a tablespoonful when troubled.

SALT fish should never be laid in soak with the skin side down, as the salt will settle on the inside and not be allowed to pass out.

A CAREFUL housekeeper says that boiling water should be immediately poured upon table linen that has received the contents of a fruit dish.

MILK FROSTING.—Ten tablespoonfuls sweet milk, one and a half cups of sugar; let boil six minutes; take off and stir until quite white; put in a lemon; spread quickly before getting too hard, wetting the knife in cold water.

HAM CROQUETTES.—Chop the ham very fine and season with pepper or mustard. With a little flour in hand, make up small balls and dip in beaten eggs, roll in crumbs of bread or cracker, and fry a light brown in hot lard.

JELLIED CRANBERRIES.—Put three pints of mashed cranberries into a stew pan, and on top of them put three cups of granulated sugar and three gills of water. After they begin to boil, cook them ten minutes, keeping closely covered and not stirring them. Remove the scum. They will jelly when cold and the skins will be soft and tender.

A GOOD oyster sauce is made by simmering a pint of good-sized oysters in some of their own liquor, with a pinch of mace and nutmeg, in a covered sauce-pan for ten minutes. Then drain and pour into a sauce-boat in which has been prepared some melted butter and oyster liquor mixed. Boiled and chopped celery may be added. This is a good poultry or fish sauce.

LAMB FRITTERS.—Trim cold roast lamb free from the bone and cut it very fine. To one pound of this add half a scant teaspoonful of salt, a dash of pepper (red and black mixed) and the yelks of two eggs. Bind together, and shape the mixture into small, thin cakes; dip them in beaten egg; then in cracker crumbs repeat the process, and drop them in very hot fat. Serve with tomato sauce.

MUSLINS and laces should be carefully stretched and pulled, ironed, and then pulled in shape; all the edges or purling should be picked and arranged to look as before washing. This occupies a considerable portion of time, but is essential to a finished appearance of the clothes to be ironed. As far as possible iron by the thread, pull the material straight, and move the iron in the direction of the thread of the cloth.

MINCE MEAT.—Four pounds of beef boiled, two pounds of apples and one pound of suet chopped fine, two pounds of stoned raisins, two pounds of currants, a quarter of a pound of citron, a teaspoonful each of cloves, cinnamon and mace, a quart of molasses and half a pound of brown sugar. Moisten with boiled cider, a teaspoonful to each pie.

ONE source of trouble in ironing shirts is the use of too hot irons. A moderate iron and hard rubbing produce the gloss. For one bosom take a large teaspoonful of good starch and dissolve it in a cupful of cold water; when it is dissolved, starch the bosom, being careful to get it all wet through. Have ready a bowl of clear water nearly boiling hot, and dip the bosom into it; wring out quickly and shake; pull the bosom into shape, fold it up smoothly and put by for half an hour.

APPLE CUSTARD.—Take a couple of the largest apples, peel, core, slice, put over a slow fire or close stove in an enameled or bright saucepan, with about as much water as for apple-sauce. Beat up with a fork (not steel) till quite smooth, and add lump sugar to taste. Either boil a strip of lemon peel with the apple and then take it out, or add two drops of essence of lemon. Now put the saucepan off the stove to cool and beat one egg. By the time that is done the apple will be sufficiently cool. Stir the beaten egg little by little into the mixture (with the two drops of essence of lemon if required) and see that it is thoroughly incorporated. Turn into a little mold or glass dish.

POINTS FOR MECHANICS.

AN instance is given in which the sawdust from oil-soaked wood developed, within twenty-four hours' time, spontaneous combustion, and after being apparently extinguished by water, was found to be still burning.

ACCORDING to a recent decision of the Illinois Supreme Court, when a mechanic is laboring for an employer in the construction of a machine, and invents an improvement, the invention is the property of the inventor and not of the employer, unless the inventor be specially employed for his inventive ability.

ELEVEN different colors may be communicated to well cleaned copper, and eight to nickel-plated objects, by means of the following bath:—Acetate of lead, 300 grains; hyposulphite of soda, 600 grams; water 1 quart. After the salts are dissolved, the solution is heated to ebullition, and the metal is afterward immersed therein. At first a gray color is obtained, and this, on the immersions being continued, passes to violet, and successively to maroon, red, etc., and finally to blue, which is the last color.

IT is said that two per cent by weight of finely pounded bottle glass, placed at the bottom of the crucible in which red brass is being melted for castings, gives great hardness and at the same time ductility to the metal. Porous castings are said to be almost an impossibility when this is done, and the product is likely to be of great service in parts of machinery subject to strain. An addition of one per cent of oxide of manganese facilitates working in the lathe and elsewhere where great hardness might be an objection.

THE following simple ingredients are all that is needed to stop the grain in polished wood: Take a small quantity of white beeswax, melt it down, and, while liquid, mix with whiting. As it gets thick, keep adding boiled oil until you have it as you wish it. When using it, sheet the wood over solid. Let stand until the next day, when you can remove the surplus by using No ½ sandpaper. It is cheaper and easier than the shellac, and can be leveled sooner, leaving nothing but the pores or grain of the wood filled, which is better than having your wood all stained up with the shellac.

AN excellent method of removing varnish from a panel after it has pitted is thus given in a carriage journal: The only way is to run over it lightly with spirits of ammonia. Do not let the ammonia remain too long on the varnish before you use the scraper on it, as it will be likely to eat through and affect the under coats. The object to be gained is only to take off the pitted coat. After removal, wash off with Castile soap and water. Let stand an hour or two to enable the under coat to get hardened. Again rub down with rag and pumice stone lightly, and then revarnish. It would be better, if the time will warrant it, to coat over again with a light wash of rubbing varnish, to guard against a possible repetition of the pitting.

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BY THE WAY.

—On the evening of Monday, Jan. 2, Mrs. James Brown Potter will appear at Music Hall, this city.

—The Delaware and Raritan Canal, running through Bound Brook, closed for navigation yesterday.

—In the Y. M. C. A. rooms to-night at 8 o'clock, Mr. C. W. McCutchen will speak on the subject, "How Can I Succeed in Business?"

—Monday being the day on which Christmas will be observed, the employees of Scott Press Works will receive their pay on Saturday evening.

—There will be a special event on the Middlesex Gun Club grounds on Christmas Day. On New Year's Day there will be sweepstake shooting all day.

—There is to be a pigeon match at Campbell's Club House on Christmas Day between Andrew Lutkins and Ellis A. Campbell, besides sweepstake shooting all day.

—The members of the Park Avenue Social Club are requested to meet in their parlors to-morrow evening. Business of an important nature is to be transacted. The meeting is called for 8:30 o'clock.

—Messrs. Warden & Fowler, the Park avenue confectioners, desire it to be understood, that pure candies for the holiday trade are manufactured on the premises. They have also on hand a choice supply of fancy confectionery, fruits, etc.

—This evening the "first view" of the Schoonmaker Collection of cloisonne enamel and porcelain, and the loan exhibition of valuable paintings, will take place at the Art Gallery. A limited number of tickets at one dollar each, have been issued.

—During the storm on Saturday night the gale struck a freight train while crossing the Newark bay bridge, and the roof of one of the cars was blown off. It was reported that there was a brakeman on the car and that he lost his life. The report was untrue.

—A convention of delegates from the churches of New Jersey will be held in the rooms of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Trenton, on Tuesday, January 24th, 1888, at 10 a. m., to proceed to the Legislature and press the passage of the bill offered at its last two sessions.

—The State Board of Assessors met at Trenton yesterday for the purpose of hearing from railroad companies that object to the assessments fixed for this year. All except a dozen of the ninety-nine railroad companies in the State filed objections. On Thursday the matter of adjusting the difficulty will begin.

—"How can I succeed in Business?" The special attention of the young men of the city is called to a practical talk by Mr. C. W. McCutchen, in answer to the above question this evening in the Y. M. C. A. Rooms. The well-known business career of this gentleman will tend to give weight to the suggestions he may present. Admission free. All men welcome.

—If the postmasters throughout the country should enforce the law in regard to the delivery of letters to parties through the post-office, all girls under eighteen years and boys under twenty-one years of age could not get a letter from the postoffice unless by order of their parents or guardians. Here is the law as it reads: "All letters addressed to girls under 18 years of age, or boys under 21 years of age, will be placed in the care of their parents or guardians."

—Dr. Jenkins of East Front street, together with a colored coachman were thrown from a sleigh on West Fifth street, near Madison avenue, about dusk last evening, but fortunately neither of them were injured. The horse ran away but was caught before doing any great damage. For some distance along West Fifth street the roadway was strewn with lap robes, blankets, etc., which the coachman subsequently gathered up and took home.

—Mr. Leal will teach the class in English branches at the Y. M. C. A., rooms, at 7:30 this evening.

—After today taxes that are not paid will become delinquent, and additional costs added to the original tax.

—James Murray was fined five dollars this morning for drunkenness. He was arrested by Officer Lynch last evening.

—The toboggan slide is reopened for the season, weather permitting, this afternoon. The chute and all else is in splendid condition for good sport.

—Mr. W. B. Herbert of Bound Brook is at present employed as civil engineer on the South Plainfield & Roselle Railroad, now in course of construction.

—West Front street and West Second street were lighted by incandescent lamps for the first time last evening. The circuit as far as completed seemed to work satisfactorily.

—The next attraction at Music Hall be Monday evening, the 26th, when that famous young star, Mr. Frederic Bryton, will appear in his great New York success "Forgiven."

—One of the most delightful drinks that is appetizing and pleasant to take during the cold weather is a cup of hot coffee or chocolate. This can be served at a moment's notice at Mr. R. J. Shaw's pharmacy.

—The two men who were arrested in North Plainfield on Saturday, for being drunk and fighting on the streets, were each committed to the Somerville Jail for sixty days. Marshal Becker took them up on Sunday.

—Undoubtedly among the most beautiful actresses on the stage today, is Miss Genevieve Lytton. She has been engaged as leading lady by Frederick Bryton and appears with him at Music Hall, next Monday evening.

—Miss Annie Pixley as "Ruth," and M. C. Daly as her father, in the play of "The Deacon's Daughter," were thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by a small house at Music Hall, last evening. Refined comedy does not draw well in this city—the "ornaments" of Dixey's play, attract better.

—Today tax collector Johnson's office has been besieged by taxpayers, and the Collector and his assistant have been kept busy canceling claims. The total amount of tax paid in yesterday amounted to $13,500. One resident this morning gave his check for upwards of $1,500 in payment for taxes.

—Ticket agent Edward J. Nelson at the depot, was approached by a bareheaded man on West Front street a few mornings since, who inquired of him the time of day. The man was informed that it was half-past five a. m., when he next inquired if it was morning or evening. He had evidently been out the night before.

—Santa Claus doesn't always put his best goods in a stocking, as you will learn by calling at Shaw's pharmacy and examining the charming Christmas goods in the case supplied by the Ladies' Society of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, Evona, N. J. Friends of the little church will find many things worthy their investment.

—Judging from the reckless manner in which some of the coachmen of the city and others are in the habit of managing their steeds, especially in the vicinity of the post office, they are evidently not aware of the fact that pedestrians have a right to cross streets when and where they choose, and it is just as necessary for drivers to look out for pedestrians as it is for the latter to look out for drivers.

—A horse attached to an unoccupied cutter ran away on Washington street, about five o'clock yesterday afternoon. Several persons attempted to stop the frightened animal, and one of them, Dennis Mahay, claims to have been injured by so doing. Who the rig belonged to, or where the animal was caught is not known, but the last seen of the horse, he was running along Seventh street in the direction of New Market.

—Reports from various parts of the State, indicate that the fall of snow on Saturday night was the largest in the Western part of the State in the last fifteen years. At Somerville the snow was about ten inches deep on a level. In some places the morning church services were omitted, as it was impossible to open the streets in time for church. The Central Railroad Company had snow ploughs run over the road early Sunday morning, but on the Western end of the road all trains were delayed. The newspaper train from New York, was four hour late when it arrived at Easton.

Notice to Santa Claus!

Now that the Christmas time is so fast approaching, bringing its season of good cheer to all, our people should be reminded that Santa Claus would be most gladly welcomed at the Children's Home. Nothing indeed that he may choose to unload from his pack would go amiss. The managers of the Home would feel particularly grateful for anything in the line of provisions, and in fact for almost anything that would bring joy into our own homes.

The Delirium of Criticism.

Many of the choir itself and most of the audience present at the Praise Service in the Crescent Avenue church, Sunday evening, would like to feel satisfied as to just how the music of the Oratorio *was* rendered. The Plainfield *Evening (?)* of yesterday, however, gives its expiring subscription list a criticism that would satisfy anybody. As the cultured of the community are the readers of THE PRESS—because it is built that way—we reprint the following for their benefit. As a whole it is the acme of idiocy—an abrupt descent from the sublime in music to the ridiculous in rhetoric. Read:

We are first told the service was "by a choir of twenty-six magnificent voices." Which accounts for the "thrilling soprano and tender alto combined with rich tenor and sonorous bass," making a "pæon of rare melody." There was one quartette, this delicious critic tells us, that was an "overflowing, sacred, passionate but lulling, euphony." The first selection was a "canorous" one, then Mr. May's solo "vibrated the air with melody clear as a bell," followed by "a solemn hush broken by the pastor." There was "a solemn, plaintively worded, wistful sounding, solo" by Mrs. Myers, but only "a rapt solo" by Miss Holmes; but Mr. Garett's "resonant tones were a continuous soul-stirring cadence." That is what the *Evening (?)* says the Crescent Avenue church choir and its annexed members did with the "selections that were selected from the Orations of Elijah," "whose history the Sunday school has [not] just concluded studying." It has not studied of Elijah in a year, at least.

Make An Example!

At last an effort is to be made to enforce that long dormant ordinance to provide for keeping sidewalks and gutters free from snow and ice. Both Street Commissioner Aogleman and Chief of Police Carey are warning all violators, and if these officers succeed in their efforts the thanks of the pedestrian public will be their's. The only emphatic way, however, to impress upon peoples' minds that they "mean business"—if they do mean business—is to arrest and fine some of those who continue, season after season, to defy the ordinance. But don't make an example of some poor man, Mr. Chief; take somebody of your size and you will deserve the most credit.

This is the law and the penalty: It is made a penal offense for persons to neglect cleaning off their sidewalks and street gutters within four hours after snow has fallen, or if fallen during the night, within four hours after sunrise of the next following morning.

In case the snow becomes congealed so that it cannot be removed without injury to the sidewalks, persons are required to sprinkle ashes or sand or sawdust on their walks within same specified time as above and further, as soon as thawed, the slush must be removed within the same limited time.

The pathway must be cleaned for a width of at least four feet, and the gutters to a width of one foot outwardly from the adjoining curb.

For each violation of this Ordinance every person violating the same shall be subject to the penalty of $5.00.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Gilbert R. Lindsley has been appointed Postmaster of Rahway by the President.

Mr. Robert Gorton of this city, was recently awarded a re-issue on his original patent for a hook or hanger.

Miss Jean Erickson gave a progressive euchre party at her residence, Eighth street, on Saturday evening.

Mrs. R. Hapenny, of W. Second street, is expected from Washington, D. C., today, where she has been for a few weeks past attending to the care of her daughter, who is ill.

The contract awarded by the Borough Council to the N. Y. & N. J. Globe Gas Light Co., for lighting the streets and avenues over the brook, was signed Saturday evening. The posts for the new street lamps will arrive on Thursday or Friday of this week, and the circuit will be ready for lighting by Jan. 16th.

The funeral of the late deacon Insley Boice, who died last week, took place from the house, near New Brooklyn, this afternoon. Rev. Dr. Yerkes, pastor of the First Baptist church, of which the deceased was a member, officiated, and was assisted by Rev. Dr. Armstrong. Interment was made in Evergreen cemetery.

The funeral of Justice Sommers of Bound Brook, who died a few days ago, took place from the late residence of the deceased yesterday afternoon. The service was conducted with Masonic honors, City Judge Ulrich of this city delivering the funeral address. The deceased was a member of Eastern Star Lodge No. 105, F. and A. M. of Bound Brook.

—In about two weeks the Central Railroad will have completed its handsome new freight depot in Newark. The terminal at this point will then be the most commodious in the State.

CHRISTMAS APPROACHES.

When the Day Will be Celebrated in the Several Churches.

Christmas, falling on Sunday this year, will be celebrated on Monday. On every hand there are evidences of its approach. The stores are filled with holiday goods, shopping has already vigorously commenced, and every night mysterious looking packages are carried through the streets, to be opened on Saturday night or Monday. The Sunday schools are preparing for the annual Christmas tree gally, and intend having a pleasant time. In most of the churches on Sunday, a Christmas sermon will be preached in the morning. So far as we have been able to ascertain the exercises will be held in the several places of worship as follows:

First Presbyterian church—Christmas sermon Sunday morning by the pastor; Sunday afternoon, special Christmas exercises by the Sunday school; Tuesday evening, 27th inst., Sunday school entertainment, consisting of singing, recitations, a polyopticon show and refreshments.

Trinity Reformed—Appropriate Christmas sermon by the pastor, Sunday morning; special Sunday school exercises in the evening. The Sunday school anniversary will take place during the following week, between Christmas and New Year's.

Congregational church—In this church, on Sunday morning, the music will be on an extensive scale, and the pastor will preach in accordance with the day. In the evening Christmas carols will be sung by the school, and the Christmas entertainment will take place on a date not yet decided upon.

Netherwood chapel—As usual Christmas will be appropriately observed at the Netherwood Union chapel. On Sunday the choir, under the leadership of Mr. Thos. Brown, Jr., will render a special programme of music, and Rev. Mr. Dennis of Florence, Italy, assisted by Rev. W. J. Leonard, will conduct the Sunday morning service. On Wednesday, the 28th inst., a Christmas tree will be lighted and presents distributed to the scholars.

Holy Cross—At the Holy Cross church on Sunday morning the services will be of a special nature; besides an appropriate sermon by the pastor, a delightful programme of fine Christmas music will be rendered. The Sunday School exercises will take place in the afternoon, and the scholars will be entertained at a future date.

Park Avenue Baptist—The Christmas anniversary in this church will be held on Tuesday evening of next week, and will include a cantata entitled "Among the Pines," vocal and instrumental music, recitations, refreshments and the distribution of candy.

Church of the Heavenly Rest—At eleven a. m., on Sunday, Rev. J. P. Taylor, the rector, will conduct a holy communion service; in the afternoon at three p. m., a children's service will be held, when the scholars will sing carols, etc. On the following Thursday, the children will be entertained at the rector's residence on Park avenue, when the gifts will be distributed and refreshments served.

The Church of the Holy Innocents at Dunellen will hold a Christmas celebration on Sunday at 10 a. m. Rev. J. P. Taylor of this city will officiate.

Crescent Avenue Presbyterian—Sunday afternoon next at three o'clock, devotional exercises by the Sunday school, that have been well rehearsed, will take place in the church. During the following Tuesday afternoon and evening, in the Sunday school room, the scholars will be feasted with good things to eat and joyous music.

Seventh-Day Baptist—Following the religious services of next Sabbath afternoon, in this church, the social celebration of Christmas will be observed after sun-down, during the evening that begins the Christmas day. Programmes of devotion and entertainment specially attractive have been arranged.

Bethel Mission—Christmas anthems will be sung in the new Bethel Mission chapel on Sunday afternoon, and the scholars of the school will hold their Christmas festival on the Thursday evening following.

At Mt. Olive Baptist church, the Christmas anniversary will occur on the evening of the 29th instant. The exercises will include, instrumental music, recitation and song.

Warren Mission—The Christmas celebration at Warren Mission chapel will be more than usually interesting. On Sunday afternoon a grand musical programme will be rendered and Rev. Mr. Schenck will deliver an address. In the evening the exercises will be varied and will include a programme of music and responsive reading, compiled by Rev. Dr. Lowry of this city. The grand holiday jubilee, however, will not take place until Thursday afternoon and evening of next week. During the afternoon of that day, the primary scholars will be entertained and fed, and in the evening the older scholars will be likewise treated, with an additional cantata.

Grace church will observe the day with appropriate exercises, a special feature of the Sunday services being the music, especially arranged for the occasion by Mrs. W. A. Freeman. The Sunday school entertainment will take place at a future date.

M. E. church—The usual Sunday morning service will be held in this church, and the afternoon will be devoted to the Sunday school exercises. On Monday morning the scholars will assemble in the Sunday school room, where additional exercises will be held and candy, etc., distributed.

First Baptist church—In this church Sunday afternoon is the time designated for the Christmas anniversary of the Sunday school. The programme, as arranged includes, music, recitations and an address by the pastor. On Wednesday evening, the 28th instant, a programme of a different nature will be presented for the entertainment of the Sunday school scholars. It will include tableaux, charades, singing, speaking, and last, but not least, the presentation of the usual Christmas gifts.

Friends—The Sabbath school of the Society of Friends will hold its Christmas anniversary on Second Day (Monday) afternoon, and the programme will include recitations and an abundance of cake and cream.

In the Catholic churches, both in this city and North Plainfield, services appropriate to the day will be held, and in most of the places of worship, it is said, the music and decorations will be exquisite. THE PRESS has gone to the trouble to compile the above list of Christmas entertainments which have been arranged for the holiday week, and although some slight changes may be made in the order of exercises, the list is otherwise thought to be correct.

The Electric Light Company Notified.

Pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Borough Council at its last meeting, Marshal Becker on Saturday served upon Mr. Moore the General Manager of the Company in this city, at his office on North avenue, the following notice, accompanied by the resolution authorizing the same:

To the Plainfield Electric Light Co:

GENTLEMEN:—Take notice that the annexed is a copy of resolutions adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Plainfield on the ninth day of Dec., inst., duly signed and attested by the Mayor and Clerk of said Borough, and you are required to remove all the poles and wires therein mentioned from the streets, avenues, places and thoroughfares of the said Borough within twenty days after the service of this order, or in default thereof the Street Commissioner is directed to remove them as provided in said resolution.

Yours, etc.,

JOHN H. JACKSON,
Corporation Counsel.

Dated Dec. 17, 1887.

Who Should Pay the Gas Bill?

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—In your review of the gas bills of the Fire Department, ordered paid by the "Fire Board" the other night, you show that No. 3 engine Co's bill was $20.50. It is well for the people to know that the North Plainfield Common Council occupy the parlors of No. 3 Co., and pay the *company* rent for the rooms. None of said rent, however, is collected by the Fire Board. Who are the custodians of the property of the department? The rent therefore must go to the company who do not own the property. The "Board" in addition to *not* getting any rent for the property the fire corporation owns, seems to furnish the North Plainfield Council with gas free of charge. By what authority do the Board of Managers, or Commissioners, or whatever they may be, do this thing?

INQUIRER.

Nearly a Million Copies Wanted.

There is a great demand for printed copies of the President's message, and the Government Printing office is turning them out by the thousands. The demand comes principally from the reform members of the House and Southern Senators, although Senator McPherson has preempted several thousands for distribution in New Jersey, and Representative Pidcock will scatter some of them in the counties of Somerset, Hunterdon, Sussex and Warren. Orders for the message received by the Public Printer up to the present time amount to nearly 1,000,000 copies.

Extra Postage on Advertised Letters

By a new ruling of the Assistant Attorney General of the Post Office, hereafter one cent must be collected on advertised letters in addition to the postage already paid thereon. Persons, therefore, who call for letters at the post office which have been advertised, will be obliged to pay the one cent required before they receive the letter.

For Christmas Shoppers.

The Choir Guild of the Episcopal church will hold their Christmas sale of bags, baskets, etc., to-morrow evening in Baker & Mead's Hall, Scotch Plains. Some very unique designs will be found there, made by different members of the Guild. Ice cream and refreshments will be served.

DANGER!

Citizens of Plainfield, Attention—Your Property at Stake—You Must do Something for Your Own Protection.

Now that the Board of Managers of the Fire Department is stripped of all power to raise money by taxation for the purpose of protecting the property of our community, the citizens should do something at once towards raising by donation and solicitation the little that must be had.

We may say no one who laid down to sleep on Sunday night realized that if a fire should have broken out at that time, the city might have burned to the ground.

Chief Waters' hands are tied. He can turn to no one for even money to pay for sufficient salt to melt the snow from the well-covers. If a fire should necessitate the calling out of No. 1 Engine there is no money to hire horses to drag it, and all the volunteer firemen in the city could not pull the steamer though the snow-bound streets, for a dozen blocks.

Whatever is to be done should be done at once. A citizen's meeting might be called and possibly result as desired, the quickest. The local insurance agents should write at once to the home office of each company they represent, and present the danger so plainly that help from such sources might also be obtained.

Let the funds raised be placed in the hands of somebody chosen for the purpose who is within reach day and night, and on whom Chief Waters will be authorized to draw.

The Driven Well Case.

The New Jersey *Law Journal*, in a late issue, discusses the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court on the Driven Well case, and says:

"It would be hard to find in the history of litigation a more striking instance of the uncertainty of the law than the Driven Well case recently decided by the Supreme Court of the United States. The patent was granted January 14, 1868, and reissued May 9, 1871. It expired January 14, 1885. The litigation concerning the invention began in the Patent Office, in an interference proceeding before the letters patent were issued, and it survived the patent nearly three years, ending only with this last decision of the Supreme Court, if that shall in fact finally end it. It is now held by the Supreme Court to have been wrong from the beginning, and the patent is declared to have been unlawfully issued."

Suggestions from Prof. Cook.

Prof. Geo. H. Cook, the State Geologist, in a recent lecture, advised the farmers to make their own fertilizers. He also advised the farmers to raise the Sorghum plant, and said that New Jersey was favorable to its growth. He dwelt particularly on the value of proper drainage and said that the laws of the State should be such that a commission could be appointed to keep the drainage open and by that means improve the land, do away with the foul odor arising from decayed vegetable matter and prevent sickness.

Somerville and Peapack Railroad.

The projectors of the new railroad from Somerville to Peapack are still working vigorously to accomplish their object. Meetings are being held at different points on the proposed line and the outlook is said to be very encouraging. The estimated cost of building the road is: with 56 pound steel rails, $15,000 per mile; with 50 pound steel rails, $12,500, and with iron rails $10,000 per mile.

SCOTCH PLAINS.

The annual election of officers of Fanwood Council, R. A., was held recently, and resulted as follows: Dr. F. W. Westcott, Past Regent; Wm. Cory, Regent; R. C. Tredwell, Vice Regent; John Waterson, Orator; Norman Dunn, Secretary; Geo. Kyte, Treasurer; Rev. J. H. Parks, Collector; C. Habberly, Chaplain; J. Robison, Guide; F. Hossinger, Warden; J. McNair, Secretary.

—Saturday night's snow storm in the vicinity of Easton averaged eighteen inches on a level.

—The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent.

—It is said that a petition is being circulated in various parts of the State praying for Congress not to admit Utah as a State until polygamy is abolished.

—The official returns of the late general election in New Jersey have been issued by the Secretary of State in pamphlet form. They show that, on the vote for Assemblymen, the Republicans polled a total of 107,026, being a majority of 2,619 over the Democrats. The total Prohibition vote was 12,622 and the total labor vote was 8,964. The Democrats had pluralities, ranging from 15 to 3,597 votes, in nine out of twenty-one counties. The Labor candidates are credited with votes in only five counties—Atlantic, 85; Essex, 1,385; Hudson, 5,509; Passaic, 1,946, and Somerset, 39. The Prohibitionists received votes in every county, the highest number being 1,348 in Cumberland, and 156 in Sussex.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS

SENATOR SHERMAN WILL OPEN THE FIGHT FOR PROTECTION.

Senator Pugh's Resolution on the Reduction of Revenues--Action Postponed on the Nomination of Mr. Lamar.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Senator Sherman gave notice in the senate yesterday of the opening of the fight for the protection by requesting the reference of the president's message to the committee on finance, and announcing that he would speak on the subject immediately after the holidays.

Senator Pugh o Alabama responded at once, with a resolution reciting the necessity for a reduction of the revenues. "Without crippling business interests, or interfering with the just rights of American working people, intended to be secured to them by the accidental effects of revenue duties, to share in the joint product of labor and capital employed in American minining and manufacturing industries, to the full measure of the difference in the cost of labor, and the labor of those engaged in similar industries, in Europe." He added to this a resolution "that the senate should concur on no joint resolution for the final adjournment of the present session of congress until after the passage of such remedial laws as are specified in the foregoing resolution."

Among the bills introduced in the senate yesterday was one by Saulsbury amending the naturalization laws. Blair's educational bill was reported favorably by the committee on education and labor. Sawyer's motion to reconsider the motion to establish a select committee on postal telegraphy was agreed to and adopted. On motion of Senator Sherman the president's message and accompanying papers were referred to the committee on finance.

Among the papers presented to the senate yesterday was a memorial of the constitutional convention of the territory of Utah asking admission into the Union as a state, with copies of the constitution. Referred to the committee on territories.

Mr. Hoar—Relating to the celebration of the centennial of the inauguration of the constitution.

Mr. Frye—For the collection of more accurate statistics of exports, emigration and immigration.

Mr. Cullom—To annex a portion of Montana to Idaho.

The executive session of the senate was a short one. Nothing whatever was done with the three impending important nominations of Messrs. Lamar, Vilas and Dickinson, and no reference was made to them. There was a general feeling early in the day among Senators and others that some action would be had. The judiciary committee was in session before twelve o'clock and all the members were present except Mr. Evarts, who had not yet returned from New York. At the meeting of the committee it was decided to postpone action on the nominations of Messrs. Lamar and Vilas until after the holiday recess. A sub-committee composed of Messrs. Edmunds, Hoar and Pugh, was appointed to consider them in the meantime. Senator Sawyer, of Wisconsin, has, it is understood, decided to postpone any action on the nomination of Don M. Dickinson to be postmaster-general until those of Messrs. Lamar and Vilas are considered. He does not think it would be desirable to confirm Mr. Dickinson's nomination to an office which Mr. Vilas now holds, for if such action were taken the latter gentleman would be out of office for a few weeks. It is therefore quite probable that the three nominations will not be taken up until after the holiday recess.

THE EUROPEAN WAR SCARE.

A Rifle Factory Turning Out 4,000 Repeating Rifles Weekly.

VIENNA, Dec. 20.—A telegram to the *Presse* from Belgrade reports that Russian agitators are extremely active in Servia.

The rifle factory at Steyer is turning out 4,000 repeating rifles every week.

It is estimated that on Friday and Saturday 200,000 florins were lost on the Boerse.

It is stated that at to-day's council resolutions will be proposed to place 25,000,000 florins at the disposal of the war minister to build 200,000 huts in Gilicia and for the immediate purchase of uniforms and accoutrements for the Landwehr and the last class of the reserves.

A widespread outbreak of cattle disease is reported in Poland. This is regarded as a sure sign of large arrivals of beasts from the interior for military provisioning.

BERLIN, Dec. 2.—The *North German Gazette* says- "Austria evidently expected answer than that of the *Invalide Russe*—an answer that, if unresolved to undo the measures already taken, Russia would at least listen to just objections to her frontier movements, and henceforth desist from such tactics. If the reinforcing in Russia continues, we should not be surprised to see Austria-Hungary doing likewise.

Newt Vorce's Seige.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 20.—Newt Vorce has been tracked to a dugout on the Robinson ranch, about twelve miles from Deer Trail, where he is still holding men at bay who are attempting his arrest. Another man has lost his life, making two killed and one wounded since the first effort was made to arrest Vorce, and the desparado is not yet captured. A sheep herder whose name is not known, was in the dugout with Vorce, and has been shot and killed by the guards Yesterday Sheriff Chivington, with a number of deputies, started for Deer Trail on a special train, where he swore in other deputies and departed for Vorce's hiding place with two wagon loads of men, all heavily armed. Vorce is said to have plenty of food and water in his dugout, and five horses, one of them a racer.

Flint Glass Makers After Natural Gas.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 20.—Natural gas, the new fuel, according to Secretary Dillon, of the striking flint glass workers, is likely to cause the removal of two big glass manufacturing concerns to this city. They are Swindell Brothers, who own one of the largest factories in Baltimore, and Gillender & Co., of Philadelphia, who own the largest glass factory in the country. The latter firm employ about 1,000 men and is said to be already negotiating for a site near Pittsburg.

Narrow Escape.

MARLBORO, Mass., Dec. 20.—A dastardly attempt was made to wreck the through passenger train on the Old Colony road last night by placing heavy sleepers on the track near Northboro. The engineer saw the obstruction, but not soon enough to avoid striking it. The cars bumped over the sleepers, seven in number, and passengers were considerably shaken up.

Sufferers from Sunday's Gale.

CHATHAM, Mass., Dec. 20.—Several schooners and an unknown freight steamer passing yesterday showed signs of bad usage in the gale of Sunday morning. The freighter had in tow a dismasted vessel and was proceeding very slowly.

THEY DID NOT OBEY THE ORDER

And the Public Are Advised to Proceed Against the Company.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 20.—About the 15th of November the board of railroad and warehouse commissioners issued a circular to the general managers of the Manitoba and Northern Pacific companies, notifying them to make a reduction in their passenger rates to three cents per mile. No attention having been paid to either the order or rate made by the commission, the following circular has been prepared and addressed to the traveling public:

Our information leads us to believe that the Northern Pacific railroad company intend to ignore the order and have instructed their ticket agents to disregard it. The order is now in force, and should more than the rate prescribed by it be exacted, the commissioner suggests that any passenger desiring to avail himself of the reduced rates should tender the exact amount of fare to the agent (not asking him to make change and demand a ticket before entering the cars. If the ticket should not be furnished, then that the passenger enter upon his journey without a ticket, tendering to conductor same amount offered the agent. Should the conductor insist upon a higher fare the passenger can then make his selection of paying (under protest) the sum demanded, reserving the right to prosecute the company for a violation of the railroad law enacted last winter, or of standing upon his legal rights at a risk of being ejected from the car. If ejected, the passenger might pursue his common law remedy in the courts of damages for the trespass upon his person, or institute proceedings for a violation of the railroad act, or both.

A Babylonian Expedition.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 20.—During the past week Dr. Peters has been active in raising the necessary funds for the proposed Babylonian expedition, which is to start about the beginning of the year. The greater part of the $30,000 needed has been subscribed, and competent men are now being looked for to undertake the work under the direction of Dr. Peters. The orignal plan was to proceed immediately to Sepharvaium or Persepolis and begin excavations there, but it is the opinion of Dr. Hilprecht, the eminent Assyrian specialist, that the expedition should proceed first to Babylonia itself, since the Assyrian culture and civilization were only an offshoot of the Babylonian, the latter being of much greater importance in the study of history and science. It is probable that this suggestion will somewhat modify the plans of Dr. Peters. The expedition is entirely under the auspicee of the university of Philadelphia Assyriologists and scientists.

Horses Roasted and Suffocated.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Yesterday morning Timothy McNamara discovered fire in the restaurant of H. K. Webb, No. 544 West Twenty-second street. Policeman Gray was notified and sent out an alarm. The whole saloon, a one-story building, building, was at this time in flames. Adjoining the rear of the saloon was a boarding stable owned by F. S. Meyers. Only a thin wooden partition separated the two. Before the firemen arrived the stable was in flames and ten maddened horses were tugging to break their halters and escape. Five of the horses were litterally roasted to death; the other five were suffocated. Loss $8,000. Insurance $4,000.

A Genuine Bomb.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Dec. 20.—Workmen in the new opera house yesterday morning found a gas-pipe bomb, with a fuse attached, in an unfinished brick flue. The police think they have located the party who placed it there, but refuse to divulge the particulars. This afternoon the officers took the bomb to the outskirts of the city, placed it under the roots of a large tree and lighted the fuse. It exploded with terrific force, tearing the trees in the vicinity to shreds and splinters, and also tore a great hole in the sheriff's overcoat.

A Railroad Riot in Michigan.

ISHPEMING, Mich., Dec. 20.—The sub-contractors on the Submit Division of the Duluth, South Shore and Atlantic railway, near Dogwood, have refused to allow the railroad company to lay rails over the graded track. The sheriff of Marquette county are a strong posse went to the scene of the rumpus at noon Saturday, and a special car containing officials of the road left Marquette shortly after. Telegraphic communication is of the most meagre kind, but at last accounts bloodshed and rioting were expected.

Death of Father Macconochie.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The Rev. Father Macconochie, rector of St. Peter's, London docks, formerly of St. Alban's Holborn, died Sunday at the clergy house connected with that parish. Father Macconochie was one of the most pronounced ritualists in the Established church, and has been imprisoned at various times for his practice by the ecclesiastical court.

St. Peter's is situated in the slums of London, where a great work was carried on by Father Macconochie and assistants.

Men Buried in a Mine.

FLEMING, Mo., Dec. 20.—The disaster at mine No. 3, on Saturday, is much more serious than was was first reported. Fifteen miners were in the shaft at the time of the explosion, and now lay buried beneath hundreds of tons of coal and debris. A number of other men are imprisoned through the blocking of the shaft, and hundreds are working to rescue them. Great excitement prevails, and the wailings of women and children make the scene a terrible one.

Settling the Cherokee Quarrel.

TAHLEQUAH, I. T., Dec. 20.—General Armstrong, United States indian inspector, who has been detailed by the interior department to investigate the Cherokee complications over the chieftainship of that nation, arrived at this place yesterday, and in conjunction with Indian Agent Owens, who has been on the ground some days, will make a thorough examination of affairs and effect an adjournment of the troubles if possible.

Boomers Preparing for War.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 20.—Many recruits are paying $25 each to become members of the Oklahoma Settlers' associaton. Though the utmost secrecy is to be preserved, it has developed that the intention is to raise at least $5,000 stand of arms to distribute among those boomers having done, and should congress not throw open the land by April 1, the leaders will take forcible possession and resist any attempt to dislodge them.

Mr. Thurman Will Prosecute.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 20.—The citizens' committee, which has the prosecution of the tally-sheet cases in hand, last night received an answer from ex-Senator Thurman, whom they asked some time ago to prosecute the cases. Mr. Thurman will direct the prosecution. The cases will come up for hearing January 7.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 16, 1887.

Bayles, Jas	Klepper, John
Bradey, Mr S	Kenny, Edward
Balerbett, Miss Auguste	Kailor, Joseph
Boardman, Miss E H	Lancht, Miss M
Baker, Miss S Louise	Lothrop, Miss
Berley Miss Anna (2)	Martin, Mrs Elizabeth
Bradley, Geo W	Mayhan, H D
Clasek, Oliver G H	Norton, S S
Culvan, Miss Alice	Nedham, John
Gray, Miss M	Smith Miss Minnie
Hanrahan, Miss Kate	Shyle, Miss May
Heorling, Mrs F O	Sloyen, John
Hohn, Miss Julie	Schoonmacker, Mrs G B
Helmer, Fredrick	Thompson, Miss A L
Height, Miss Katie	Williams, Miss Grace
Kiely, Mr.	Walker, H
Kilroy, Mrs E C	Wilson, R F

Persons calling for above please say advertised.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF MAILS.

NEW YORK MAILS.

CLOSE—8.00 and 10.00 a. m.; 2.00 and 5.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—7.30, 8.50, 11.45 a. m.; 2.30, 5.30 p. m.

SOMERVILLE, EASTON, ETC., MAILS.

CLOSE—7.30 a. m. and 4.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—8.50 a. m. and 6.30 p. m.

SUNDAY MAILS.

Arrive at 5.10 a. m. Office open from 9.30 a. m. to 10.30 a. m. Mail closes at 7 p. m.

Mail for Warrenville closes Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 m.

Post Office opens at 7 a. m. and closes at 7.30 p. m. Saturdays closes at 8.00 p. m. Open every evening until 8.30 p. m., to owners of lock boxes.

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VAN SLYCK—On Monday, Dec. 19th, 1887, Chas. W., son of Wm. H. Van Slyck.

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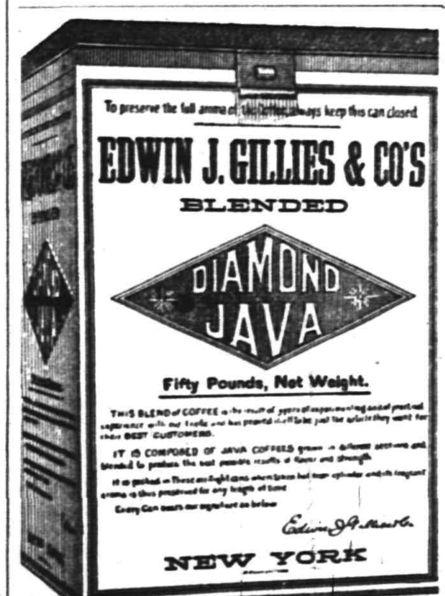

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THE BIG FIGHT A DRAW

KILRAIN AND SMITH MET YESTERDAY IN FRANCE.

A Tremendous Prize Ring Battle--The Men Fought One Hundred and Six Punishing Rounds.

VERNON, France, Dec. 20.—The great battle for the international championship between Jem Smith of London, England, and Jake Kilrain of Baltimore, Maryland, came off yesterday on a small island in the Seine, opposite the forest of Vernon. Fifty people were present. One hundred and six rounds were fought.

Kilrain had the best of the fight all through. He won first blood in the eleventh round and gained first knock down in the eighteenth round. Kilrain threw Smith. Kilrain led off on Smith's stomach. Smith led for Kilrain's body but was short. Duration of round 55 seconds.

In the second round Kilrain planted a vigorous blow on Smith's stomach. Smith responded with a sharp blow on Kilrain's forehead. Time, 12 seconds.

Up to the tenth round the advantage was all with Kilrain.

In the eleventh round Kilrain landed a number of effective blows on Smith's ribs and nose, drawing blood. A claim of blood for Kilrain was made and allowed.

From the twelfth to the fifteenth round the exchanges were all in favor of Kilrain. Kilrain pummeled Smith severely about the chest and ribs and again visited his nose, drawing copious draughts of blood. Even fighting then ensued. Smith hit Kilrain warmly about the back in the thirteenth round, and Jake leveled up matters by dealing Smith a terrific blow with his right and knocking him clean off his feet. Kilrain split Smith's lip.

From this point up to the ninety-sixth round Kilrain had everything his own way. He knocked Smith down repeatedly, hitting wherever he pleased.

Smith became very groggy and looked at one time as if he would faint from pain and loss of blood.

He responded bravely every time to the call of time, but as soon as Kilrain would rush at him went down to avoid punishment.

The rounds were all short and savage, the longest being the fiftieth, which lasted two minutes and fourteen seconds.

From the ninety-sixth to the one hundred and sixth, the last round, Kilrain thrashed Smith around as he pleased. He struck him repeatedly around the head and body, getting away without a return.

Darkness then set in, and Referee Atkinson postponed the fight for the time being. It will probably be resumed to-morrow or the day after.

The American contingent were disappointed and some insisted that the battle be resumed in a barn by candlelight, but the English sports were of course glad to crawl out of the difficulty.

It was the hardest kind of hard luck that Kilrain played in. He had Smith whipped to a certainty, and nothing but accident could prevent his winning.

Kilrain did all the fighting, punishing Smith terribly about the face and ribs. The Englishman's ears were horribly cut and swollen, and the right side of his face bruised almost to a jelly.

Kilrain had a lump on two of his forehead and his left eye was nearly closed. Otherwise he appeared none the worse for the fray.

The duration of the fight was two hours and twenty minutes.

At a conference of the pugilists it was decided to make the fight a draw.

Smith's powers as a wrestler did not stand him in such good stead as his backers hoped for.

He only threw Kilrain twice during the battle, and Jake tossed him heavily once by way of evening of matters.

Kilrain weighed 196 pounds upon entering the ring, and Smith 182.

Whirled to Death in a Mill.

PATERSON, Dec. 20.—One of the most horrible accidents ever recorded in the history of Paterson, occurred this afternoon, about 1:30 o'clock, in the mill of the Barbour Flax Spinning company on Spruce street. The men were all at work in the dye house as usual. Among them was John McCraighty, who was employed at the soap tubs. The machinery ran rather loosely and McCraighty proposed to tighten it. In order to do this he climbed up a water pipe leading to a washing machine. He swung himself into the shafting, when he was caught in a belt. In a moment he was whirled about, parts of his body striking the shafting and the ceiling above him, and blood, bones and human flesh being scattered all over the place.

Ready to Fight Cardiff and Kilrain.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 20.—John Donaldson is in receipt of a letter from Paddy Ryan, who is now in California, asking if there would be any prospect of getting on a fight with Cardiff if he should come to Minneapolis on his way east. Ryan says that if Kilrain beats Smith for the world's championship, he proposes to challenge him for a fight to a finish for the championship and $5,000 to $10,000 a side stake money. Cardiff has not made up his mind whether he will meet Cardiff or not. It is probable, however, that a twelve or fifteen round contest with small gloves will be arranged, to take place at the Washington rink in January.

Its License Not Renewable.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 20. Hon. J. M. Forster, commissioner of insurance of Pennsylvania, has decided not to renew the license of the Fidelity and insurance company of New York to do business in Pennsylvania under its peculiar charter, allowing it to transact four different kinds of insurance, unless it will elect to prosecute only one. Commissioner Forster has carefully studied the law, and decides that it prohibits this privilege to domestic companies as a dangerous form of insurance, and concludes that foreign companies should be allowed no greater privileges than home institutions.

Forming a New Coke Combination.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 20.—The Connellsville coke producers who have desolved relations with the three large firms who composed the syndicate will meet this week to form an association of their own and market their own coke. The plan is to work independently of the three large firms, Shoenberger, Frick, in which Andrew Carnegie is interested, and Leisenring. At present the small producers are out in the cold. Some have contracts to fill, not having them when they were in the pooling arrangement.

Four Brothers Arrested for Bank Burglary.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 20.—Sheriff Comer has passed through the city from Knoxville, having in charge the four Clark brothers and [illegible] Ward, charged with robbing the bank at Hopkinsville, Ky., of $60,000 some [illegible]. W. H. Clark, one of the prisoners, is also to be wanted at Terre Haute, Ind., to answer a charge of murder.

LABOR TROUBLES

THE DEMANDS OF THE STRIKING LEHIGH MINERS.

Granite Cutters in Chicago Quit Work. Cigarmakers in Session -- Miners Yield in the Pittsburg District.

CHICAGO, Dec, 20.—One hundred and thirty-three men employed by the Minnesota Granite company have quit work. The men all worked by the peace. Last summer and fall there was a misunderstanding between the granite cutters and the management as to the measurement of certain stones to be used on the auditorium building. The Minnesota Granite company, it is said, had been conceding little points rather than suspend work. When the company positively refused to accept the scale proposed by the employes, the union ordered the men out. One hundred and thirty-three men were thrown out of work. Two representatives of the national union are here attempting to effect a compromise. It is not probable, the employers think, the strike will last long. All work is at present suspended except in the polishing department. The company does not at present contemplate any importation of non-union men.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20. The miners in the employ of the Reading Railroad company have submitted the question of their wages next year to a committee of their number, and this committee expresses the belief that the whole matter will be satisfactorily arranged and a strike averted. Interviews were had with representatives of the Lehigh Navigation and the Lehigh Valley and Pennsylvania railroad companies with reference to their position in the strike, and obey all asserted that it was extremely probable when work should be resumed in their mines that they would have no basis of wages, but simply pay whatever they thought the market price of coal could warrant. The Pennsylvania railroad company has ordered that all of its idle collieries shall not be put in operation again until next April, even though the strike shall end before that time.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 20.—The Railroad Coal association will hold a meeting to-day and consider some important matters affecting the wages of the miners of the Pittsburg district. A number of the operators in the Pittsburg district have persistently refused to pay the advance of 5 cents a ton provided for in the Columbia scale. Monday morning the men at N. J. Bigley's mines returned to work at the old rate of wages, 74 cents per ton. The operators who are paying 79 cents say that they cannot reasonably be expected to pay the advance and compete with those who do not. At the meeting to-day notification will be given to the miners' officers that unless the advance is made uniform they will give notice of a reduction to the old prices.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—The National Convention of the Knights of Labor Cigarmakers began in secret session here yesterday. There were delegates present from New York City. Brooklyn, Binghamton, Baltimore, Chicago, Syracuse, Columbus, Cincinnati, Detroit, Milwaukee and Pittsburg. Albert Hoffman, of Local Assembly No. 4,940, of Cincinnati, presided. The question of jurisdiction over the cigarmakers scattered in the mixed locals was the principal subject of discussion and occupied the day's proceedings. The chief business of the convention will be the organization of a national trade district, the general executive board having already promised a charter.

AN ENTIRE FAMILY SLAIN.

Shocking Triple Murder and Suicide in Ballston Spa.

BALLSTON SPA, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Three persons are dead and and one will probably die, as the result of the tragedy which took place here yesterday morning.

Lawyer S. S. Crandell shot and killed Mrs. Stone, his mother-in-law, Julia Buckley his stepdaughter and himself. He also shot his wife, and it is now believed that she cannot live.

The shooting took place at Mr. Crandell's residence, and the news spread through the village quickly. Before the murder had breathed his last a crowd was gathered at the house, and there the sight which met their eyes was fearful to behold. The house was fairly reeking in blood, and evidences of an awful struggle were apparent on every hand.

There is so much excitement that the cause of the shooting cannot be positively stated at this writing.

It has been known for some time that Mr. and Mrs. Crandall frequently quarrelled over some property owned by Mrs. Crandall and this quarrel probably led to the tragedy.

Mrs. Crandall was formerly the wife of Mr. Crandall's law partner in Troy, from whom she obtained a divorce.

Pennsylvania's Industrial Interests.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 20. The inquiries for steel rails at the various rail mills of the United States call for about 200,000 tons, according to to-day's estimate, and it is understood the bulk of this business would be placed if a difference of $1 to $1.50 between makers and buyers could be gotten over. Bars, nails, slates, sheets and pipes are quiet, and no depression in prices is probable. Manufacturers are counting on an improving demand. No sales of foreign material. Anthracite demand takes all that can be produced. The dry goods distribution is confined to cotton goods and the better qualities of hosiery, knit goods and upholstery. There will be very little idleness in the city or state industries this winter. Crude material of all kinds is not over abundant, and prices are firm. The indications point to active railroad building on both sides of the Mississippi valley next spring, and this is an apparent improvement in the tone of the material market.

Bushyheads's Followers in Arms.

VINTA, Dec. 20. Ex-Chief D. W. Bushyhead, who was ousted from the executive mansion of the Cherokee government at Tahlequah last week, has issued a call to his followers to meet him in council at Campbell's store, about thirty miles from Vinita to-day. The call is for 200 men, to seek redress for the wrong done the Bushyhead party, and also to gain control of the government, which is now in the hands of the Downing party. The latter are prepared for and expect an attack from the Nationals to-night or Tuesday, Gen. Armstrong, who was appointed to settle the present differences between the two factions, arrived at Muskogee Saturday night.

Commercial Union With Canada.

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 20.—Sir Charles Tupper, Canadian fisheries commissioner, left for Ottawa last night. A gentleman who is well acquainted with Sir Charles says that after conversation with him he is thoroughly convinced that on the reassembling of the commission, commercial union between Canada and the United States will be urged as a settlement of the whole question.

PROHIBITIONISTS CONFER.

A Hundred Million Tracts to be Sent Out Next Year--Treasurer's Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The National Prohibition Bureau began its second annual convention yesterday. A meeting was held in the afternoon, at which William T. Wardwell, of New York, presided. The report of the treasurer, W. Jennings Demorest, was presented and accepted. It showed that the receipts of the bureau for the past year were $36,119.87, and the expenditures $36,439.44, leaving a ballance due of 319.57. To meet this balance there are bills receivable to the amount of $1,307.31. The entire available funds and property of the bureau, consisting of furniture, electrotypes, &c., and subscriptions for the year 1887-'88, are $10,[illegible]34.73. The business of the bureau showed an increase of 30 per cent over last year. There have been 10,000,000 pages of "bombs," or prohibition tracts distributed during the year, and the bureau proposed to increase this to 100,000,000 during the next year.

It was agreed to organize a war upon the liquor shops by having them indicted as public nuisances under the recent decision of the supreme court of the United States. Among those present were the Rev. A. B. Leonard, of Ohio, Volney B. Cushing, of Me., John Lloyd Thomas, of Maryland, and John E. Nichols, of Massachusetts. General Clinton B. Fisk, president of the bureau, sent a letter saying he was prevented by business from being present. The election of officers was postponed until January.

Remarkable Escape From Death.

NEWBURG, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Miss Sarah Bigler, of Philadelphia, a teacher in a young ladies' seminary at Newburg, escaped death in a remarkable manner yesterday morning. She attempted to get on a car of a West Shore passenger train on he way to Philadelphia after getting off once to get her trunk checked. The train started and she lost her balance, rolling between the tracks. A brake beam shoved her off the track into the deep snow, and she again rolled on the edge of the track, Thomas Gilleoly, a newsboy, grasped the young woman and attempted to keep her from the track, but she slipped from his grasp. The last car of the train had passed, however, and Miss Bigler was picked up without having received a scratch. The train was backed up to the station, and the young woman boarded the train, intending to go as far as New York. Miss Bigler is twenty-two years of age.

The Big Raft Not Heard From.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 20.—The steamer Miranda, with the big timber raft in tow, has not been heard from since she passed Briar Island on the 10th. There is considerable uneasiness here over the fate of the raft. It is now about two weeks since the steamer started from Joggins. It was expected that she would reach New York before this. The fact that she has not been reported by vessels arriving at New England ports is regarded as very curious. Wagers are being freely made that the raft will never reach its destination, but the projectors' friends express the belief that the Miranda has taken the raft well out to sea, where she could let it go in case of storm, and get hold of it again when the weather moderated. This may explain the delay.

Foreign International Exhibitions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The president has sent to congress the recommendations of Secretary Bayard in reference to the international exposition next April to celebrate the founding of New South Wales, and the international exhibition of labor at Barcelona, Spain. The secretary recommends an appropriation of $50,000 to defray the expenses of our commissioners to the former, and that congress indorse the latter and give encouragement to American participation in it.

Couldn't Trust the Banks.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Ole Oleson, a Scandinavian, 55 years old, employed as a street railway trackman, lost the savings of a lifetime yesterday. While out with his wife looking at a home which he intended to buy, the old man's tenement was robbed of $2,539. He had laid aside the money weekly, a few dollars at a time, and being afraid of the banks had hid this fortune in a trunk under the bed. Oleson and his wife are nearly distracted.

To Hang for Killing His Wife.

HARTFORD, Dec. 20.—The jury in the case of John H. Swift, who shot his wife, Kate, July 7 last, last night brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree. When the verdict was announced Swift's mother, who had been present throughout the trial, sprang to her feet and, pointing to the state's attorney, screamed: "You are a murderer." Swift lighted a cigarette and said: "That's better than imprisonment for life. It is over in a minute."

Five Men Blown to Pieces.

TILTON, Ga., Dec. 20.—A boiler at W. S. Winchester's saw mill exploded yesterday, while all the men were around the furnace doors warming themselves. Five men were killed and a boy was seriously injured. The killed are Elison Hemore, James Walker, Wm. Tennaman, Ed. Hogan and A. Hawkins, the two last named colored. Their bodies were frightfully mutilated, two being entirely cut in twain.

Dan Doherty on Trial.

LONDON. Dec. 20.—The trial of Dan Doherty for the murder of Captain Graham began to-day. The newspapers are devoting a deal of space to the case. The prisoner made a powerful plea, accompanied by an exhaustive statement, in favor of his contention that the shooting wss accidental. A verdict is expected to-morrow.

Result of Refusing a Drink.

MATAWAN, N. J., Dec. 20.—William Henry Conover, proprietor of the Village house, refused either to sell or give John Walsh a drink on Sunday afternoon. Walsh knocked Conover down, and in the scuffle that began Conover's leg was broken in two places. Walsh will be arrested if he can be found.

In Jail for Horse-whipping a Woman.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 20.—Robert S. Mitchell, a prominent citizen of Portland, Conn., is serving out a sentence in [illegible] jail for having horsewhipped Mrs. Sarah Meigs. Admiring friends visit him daily, and he receives hundreds of bouquets and dainties.

Foraker on Lamar's Confirmation.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 20.—Governor Foraker is reported as having said in Cincinnati yesterday morning that the senate ought not to confirm Lamar because he called Lincoln a buffoon and had lauded Jeff Davis.

Business Failure.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Dec. 20.—A. M. Corse, for twenty years a prominent clothing dealer at Lee, failed Saturday; liabilities, $12,000, assets unknown. The creditors are mostly Boston and New York parties.

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FIGHTING THE STANDARD OIL.

Anti-Standard Men Combine Against the Big Monopoly.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 20.—Manager W. H. Brill of the Bosshardt and Wilson Oil works of Philadelphia is now on his way east after a visit to the oil regions. He said that there was every prospect of improved business in the future. There was a meeting in Titusville at which refineries with a capacity of 136,000 barrels per month were represented. It was decided to form an organization for the purpose of bringing suit against any railroad company granting rebates or otherwise violating the interstate law.

The recent decision in the case of the Empire Oil works against the Philadelphia and Erie road was but the beginning of many suits. There is no doubt every independent oil refiner has suffered from the effect of the rebate system, and it is no wonder that the Standard Oil company becomes more monopolistic and arbitrary when private and public corporations combine to crush outsiders. The shut down movement, Mr. Brill said, was very effective and would result in advancing the price of crude oil. Lima oil would probably interfere next year. As the demand for refined oil falls off, a large foreign trade in coarser oils will spring up, and on this account the high price for crude oil is assured. Foreigners are finding out that almost anything of an oily nature can be made from crude petroleum.

A Bomb Thrown Into a Doctor's Room.

STANSTEAD, Que., Dec. 20.—At 1 o'clock this morning a bomb, to which a lighted fuse was attached, was thrown through a window into the dining room of Dr. Canfield's residence. Mrs. Canfield, hearing the crash and the hissing of the burning fuse, sprang out of the bed and succeeded in detaching the fuse. The bomb contained sufficient giant blasting powder to wholly demolish the house and kill all the inmates. Dr. Canfield's father, who is a bailiff, has been engaged lately in serving processes for violation of the Canada temperance law, and had been threatened with violence if he did not desist.

Many Arrests but Few Convictions

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20.—The last of the election fraud cases, with three exceptions, were disposed of in the United States court to-day. Senator Ketchum was fined $300, John E. Kelly, William Bergesch, Charles Perrin, Edward Guion and Fred J. Leinhart $50 each, and Henry Sterman and Archie Menow $50 each. Patrick Golden and J. W. Chamberlain were granted new trials and Edward Sweeney will have his trial next Thursday. Although nearly one hundred men were indicted only one has been sent to the penitentiary and one to jail.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 20.—The B. & O. syndicate mortgage of $20,000,000 to the safe deposit and trust company has been recorded. In reference to the statement in Philadelphia papers that an arrangement will soon be announced by which the road will get a foothold in New York via the Reading and Pennsylvania, President Spencer will say nothing except that there has been no change in the situation. It is believed in railroad circles here that the story is correct, and that the arrangement has been perfected.

Nothing Planned for the Volunteer.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Edward Burgess, who knows more of General Paine's yachting plans than any one else, says there is no truth in the story cabled from London that the Volunteer will cross the ocean next year to race the Thistle in English waters and endeavor to bring back to America the Brenton Reef and Cape May cups, now in the hands of the owner of the Irex. Whatever General Paine may decide to do later on, no plans for next season's yachting by the Volunteer have yet been mapped out.

Acquitted of a Serious Charge.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 20.—Walter Kilton, of Maine, who has been in jail since July 5 last on the charge of assault on Miss Henrietta Powell while in her father's schooner in the harbor, was released yesterday. The case was tried in October and the jury failed to agree. As there seemed no possibility of a conviction the court yesterday ordered a nolle prosequi to be entered. Kilton will go to New York and ship from that port on a foreign voyage.

Still Arresting Irishmen.

DUBLIN, Dec. 20.—John Hooper, member of parliament for Cork, has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment for publishing reports in his paper, the Cork *Herald*, of meetings of suppressed branches of the national league. The police of Queenstown have warned newspaper men that they will be arrested if they sell copies of the Dublin *Freeman's Journal* which contain reports of meetings of suppressed branches of the national league.

A Sensational Rumor About the Czar.

VIENNA, Dec. 20 A correspondence sheet published in this city asserts that it has received a cipher despatch saying that another attempt has been made on the life of the czar, and that the czar was wounded. It also says that a revolutionary movement has broken out in St. Petersburg.

Daniel Manning Reported to be Ill.

ALBANY, Dec. 20.—Ex-Secretary Manning is reported critically ill. His physician, Dr. Hun, is non-committal, and at the house of Mr. Manning's son, where the ex-secretary is staying, Mr. Manning is reported "a little better to-day."

Sporting Notes.

"Frozen Bill" Corney has sailed for England for the purpose of securing Scott, Rowell and Hazel for the great pedestrian match in Madison Square Garden in February.

An adjournment meeting of the National Amateur Skating association of the United States will be held Thursday evening in the Windsor Hotel, New York. Important business in connection with the time, place, and preliminaries of the annual winter sports of the association is expected to come up.

Jem Carney has accepted Jack McAuliffe's challenge to box ten rounds for a purse of $1,000 before either the Athenian club of Boston or the Racquet club of New Yodk, preferring to have the contest take place in New York. The purse will doubtless be forthcoming.

If Jack Dempsey should adhere to his present resolution to retire from the ring after he has given Johnny Reagan a ten-round chance to win his laurels in a Queensbury contest he will, should he win have the best record ever made in the ring in this country, and be the Nonpareil indeed. Jack has a good position offered him in California and his friends urge him to take it.

They are drawing the lines tighter on jockeys in England and it would be a good thing for the public if our leading racing associations would imitate the example of the jockey club in this respect. Hereafter it will license no jockey who engages in any betting transaction or receives a present from anyone but his employer, nor will a license be granted to a jockey who owns horses or is interested in their ownership of horses and forbids starters and judges from betting on races.

[illegible] NEWS.

FLORIDA is the favorite wintering ground of Prof. Proctor, the astronomer.

WHEN called before the United States Supreme Court, Ben Butler always wears a swallow-tail coat.

THE old hero of California, General John C. Fremont, is about to write a history of his seventy-four years of life, with the assistance of his wife.

HENRY IRVING, the eminent English actor, declares that a well-conducted theater is as necessary as a free library, and he favors having municipal theaters.

NEW YORK was lately visited by the only surviving member of President Fillmore's Cabinet, Mr. Alexander H. H. Stuart, of Virginia. He is eighty years old and somewhat infirm.

IT is said of Mr. Gladstone that he is very methodical in all his arrangements. His books and papers are carefully arranged in separate desks, each class of work being allotted a special desk.

REV. CHARLES A. BERRY, who is thought to be the coming pastor of the Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, was once heard by Mr. Beecher, who said: "If I am not mistaken, that man will be heard from soon."

STANLEY the African explorer said he had been in Africa seventeen years and never met with a man who would kill him if he folded his hands. Mr. Stanley has been offered $50,000 to write a book of his latest explorations.

VERDI, the great Italian musical composer, is a great lover of the horse, and his stock is as noted in Northern Italy, where he has a breeding establishment and spends most of his spare time, as are his musical compositions throughout the world.

WASHINGTON is the home of the hero of the Monitor and Merrimac fight, Rear-Admiral Worden. He is seventy years old and well-preserved though still suffering from the effects of his wounds received in the historic battle. He receives $6,000 a year from the Government.

AN enormous amount of real estate was not long since purchased by P. T. Barnum in Bridgeport, Conn. It is valued at $6,000,000 and consists of a tract of land in the heart of the city embracing over a hundred residences, three bank buildings, six livery stables, five churches, a large number of stores and an old church.

THE late Duca di Campo Felice, whose hospitable doors in Paris were always thrown open to Americans, has left a collection of musical instruments worth a million francs. The Duke was the husband of one of the wives of Singer, of sewing-machine fame, who had a fortune in her own right of seven million dollars. When she first saw him he was a singer on the operatic stage. She fell in love with him, married him, and bought him a title.

DR. SCHLIEMANN, the great archæologist, has obtained the permission of Greece to prosecute a series of excavations on the island of Cerigo. The island was the spot where the worship of the Syrian Astarte first took root in Greek soil, and from which in the worship of Aphrodite it extended over all the Greek Coasts. An island which has been in turn in the hands of the Phœnicians, Argives, Spartans, Athenians, Romans, and Venetians ought to offer a fine field for research.

FACTS FOR CHURCH FOLK.

THE German Baptists of McPherson, Kan., have founded an industrial institute.

THERE are 16,000 Methodists in New York City, whose property is valued at $4,944,000.

IN the eight months beginning with April 1887, the American Bible Society issued 437,433 volumes.

CLERGYMEN in Leon, Mex., are compelled by the order of the Bishop to wear the ordinary dress of citizens.

THE successor of Prof. Huxley in the highest chair of the Royal Society of London is Prof. Stokes, a Christian.

A CERTAIN Episcopal clergyman of the High Church, is in favor of terming all other Protestant bodies Dissenters, as is the custom in England.

A SUNDAY-SCHOOL with sixteen hundred scholars is connected with the hat manufactory of John B. Stetson, in Philadelphia. The chapel cost $40,000.

ACCORDING to statistics of endowments of religious and secular institutions, ten million dollars have been bequeathed in three months of the last year.

OVER thirty thousand conversions are accredited to Mrs. Maggie VanCott as the fruit of her labors in the West. She is now engaged in conflict with the sin of New York.

A FORMAL agreement set forth by a committee for the consideration of the churches, looks of a proposed union between the Congregational and Presbyterian churches of Japan.

FOR the last year the Moravians report 99,283 communicants in their mission fields, with a total of 89,552 persons cared for by their missionaries. The total receipts were $95,345.

THE total value of the Y. M. C. A. buildings is estimated at $4,772,980. The total number of paid men engaged in the work in the United States and Canada to be 623; value of libraries, $239,335; 667 associations report an aggregate membership of 128,993; 325 report Gospel meetings with a total average attendance of 15,257. Part of these figures are exclusive of the railroad associations.

LIGHT WEIGHTS.

AMATEUR violinists do not always meet with violint deaths.

A FORTUITOUS arrangement of conditions—a red-headed girl driving a white horse.

WHEN birds are scarce the eager sportsman often tries to make rabbit quail.

MANY a chip of the old block is but a chip of an old blockhead and therefore nothing to be proud of.

A CHINAMAN named Low Kee recently died worth about half a million dollars. His relatives can afford to change their name to High Kee.

IS a man absent-minded when he goes to a pretty young lady clerk for a key for his stem-winding watch? Oh, no. He is off his perch.

"GET onto the dog," said the flee to the fly;
"Come off," said the coming event;
Said the thread to the needle, "It's all in your eye"—
Then we reached for our hat and went.
—*Old City Blizzard.*

WHEN rattlesnakes and other reptiles are found in large numbers in the streets of a town, it is about time prohibition struck that burg.

THE granger who took in a cheque
On a bank that had all gone to wreque
Was so whelmed with chagrin
That his barn he went in
And he hung himself up by the neeque.
—*Yonk rs Gazette.*

CUSTOMER (to waiter who has just filled his order)—"Did you say this was a chop?" Waiter—"Yes, sir. Any thing the matter with it, sir?" Customer—"Nothing much. But say, when you are coming around this way again please bring the axe."

A G. A. R. man who had stuck to his post through a long and active siege, repaired to a hotel to recuperate his wasted forces and was consigned to a bed with a "cumrade." It was said that his companion proved to be a stuffed saurian, but the victim of the practical joke denies the alligator.

BORN THE SAME DAY.

The Most Remarkable Married Couple in the United States.

Hanover is not only rich in historical lore, says a letter to the Boston *Globe*, but in the number of its old inhabitants, and it is doubtful if any larger number of elderly people can be found in New England, in proportion to the size of the place, than in this quaint, interesting township.

On a high hill, near the center of the village, in a neat cottage-house, live Mr. and Mrs. Hira Bates, and it is doubtful if throughout the length and breadth of this land there is a parallel case to theirs. They were born on the same day, were brought up in the same town, and, as the old gentleman aptly says, "married on the same date," and are aged ninety-two years.

Their pleasant home faces the west, and the best rooms in the house are at the disposal of this interesting couple. There they are passing their declining years, surrounded with loving relatives and friends, who vie with each other in doing them honor.

The correspondent found Mr. Bates walking briskly about the village, and on being informed of the object of the visit, the old gentleman said: "Come up to the house, young man. If you want my story you can have it."

On the way to his home many persons were met, and it was a cheery "Good morning, grandpa," and a kind word for all.

A pleasant, mild-faced, intelligent-looking lady was met at the door, and the writer was introduced to "My wife, Mrs. Bates, the best woman that I know of in Hanover." Mr. Bates' story is best told in his own words, and comfortably seated before the open fire-place, the old man related the interesting story of their lives:

"To begin with young man," remarked Grandpa Bates, "you had better make a note that I have one hundred dollars in gold in the bank on deposit for the man of my age in Hanover that will throw me. I am no wrestler, but at times can be rather coltish, you know. I was born in Hanover ninety-two years ago, and in a little house just over the Hanover line my parents were informed that their neighbor's family had been increased by the addition of a little girl. They tell me that we were born within about fifteen minutes of each other. At any rate the doctor left me to attend to Lucy. Well, we sort of grew up together. We went to the same school; I carried Lucy's dinner-basket and sort of sparked her for some time, and we got to thinking that life didn't amount to much unless we could plod on together. So we got married in—let me see—1825, and we have been married ever since.

"Now let me tell you that you young folks of the present time know but very little of what hard work we chaps had in those times. I was a calker by trade, and often walked to Plymouth, about sixteen miles off, and back again, doing a day's work. Then when business was dull I would walk to Charlestown, about twenty-six miles, and after getting there would do half a day's work. Then I went into the tack business and worked for Elihu Hobart; Deacon Robert Cook, of Whitman, now living, was one of my fellow-workmen. I used to stop with my brother, Clement Bates, of Plymouth, the man who has buried more people than any sexton in New England. So you see that I did not have much time to loaf around, but when I went into the mercantile business and kept a little store here my finances did not increase very materially and I went to farming, and have followed that up to a few years ago.

"Was I a soldier? Oh yes, I was a Lieutenant in the Hanover militia, and had little gilt bands on my shoulders. That is where I get my martial air," and here the old gentleman straightened up and walked about the room in a manner which belied his age.

"As far as travel is concerned," continued Mr. Bates, "I could not leave my wife longer than a day or two at a time, and so Salem is about as far as I have been. I attribute my old age to the fact that I have been good—for it must be so, as the good book tells us that the wicked shall not live out half their days; and to my kind wife, who has been not only my wife but my devoted companion for sixty-two years."

Mr. and Mrs. Bates have always lived a quiet, frugal life, and have brought up a family of five children: Cornelius, Hira W., Julia, Ellen and Edward, the eldest fifty-eight years old.

NEW CONGRESSMEN.

An Imaginative Writer Relates Incidents About Fresh Statesmen.

The new members of Congress are coming to town and can be identified very easily by the overwhelming amount of dignity they assume and their new suits of clothes, writes the Washington correspondent of the Chicago *News*. One new member from Texas made his appearance the other day with long hair and the cowboy-hat, but after looking around for awhile he concluded to dress like other people, visited a barber-shop, had his flowing locks cut short, and then purchased a suit of store clothes at the nearest tailor's. The employes at the capitol and the clerks in the departments are always glad when a new Congress convenes, as the pomposity of the new members always affords them so much amusement. The first thing they do after registering at the hotel is to go to the House of Representatives and survey the place where their statesmanship is to display itself. Then they select the seat they desire to occupy and inquire at the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms for their pay. The saleries of most of them have accumulated since last March, and amount to sums of money which few of them have ever had in hand before. In hunting for their pay they make many mistakes. Some of them go to the room of the Committee on Finance, others to the room of the Committee on Salaries and Mileage, others try the postmaster and clerk, until finally they find the paymaster of the great body of legislators in the Sergeant-at-Arms' office. Others go to the the Treasury Department direct, and there ask for their salaries.

At the cashier's office of the Treasury the other day was to be seen a tall, lank, scrawny, sallow man, with a rugged, wrinkled face and a tuft of gray whiskers under his chin. He wore a dingy suit of brown clothing and an overcoat that looked as if its service entitled it to retirement and a pension. The boots were unpolished and the legs of the pantaloons were scanty as to their length. The coat-sleeves were long enough to make up for the pantaloons' deficiency, and hung in great folds over the rough, brawny hands. He came in with great deference, and saying, "Good-morning, gentlemen," seated himself near the door. The usual rush of business was going on; persons came and went after transacting their duties, and for half an hour or more no one took any notice of the old man. Finally the cashier spoke to him and asked if he wished to see any particular person. He introduced himself as the member from the —— district of ——, and wanted to see the cashier. Mr. Williams made himself known, and the old gentleman, taking from the inner pocket of his coat an old-fashioned pocket-book, unwound the long strap that bound it, and produced from a soiled envelope nine certificates from the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, representing over $3,500, his salary since the 4th of March.

FROM FIELDS AFAR.

ELECTRIC lights are now being successfully used in the Scotch fisheries.

IT is estimated that the new wheat crop of France will amount to 300,000,000 bushels.

INSTEAD of keeping to the right, as in this country, vehicles keep to the left in England.

SOCIAL etiquette in England requires that an ex-President of the United States be ranked as a simple American gentleman.

FROM 1841 to 1881 Ireland has decreased in population over three millions. In the last six years nearly another million has fallen off.

A PRUSSIAN has invented a windmill which is put on a ship's deck, whence it turns a screw that propels the vessel against the wind.

OF the 38,000,000 inhabitants of France 21,000,000 are engaged in agricultural pursuits. All the farming is done on a small scale.

JAPAN has a standing army of 50,000 well-drilled men, with a reserve of 200,000 more. Her fleet is now equal to that of any second-rate power.

A THEATER without footlights is to be built in Brussels. A triple range of lights behind the orchestra are to furnish light for the stage.

THE grain elevator is soon to be introduced in India, and the immense wheat crop can then be brought into competition with that of other countries.

A TOWER is being built by the Russians on the highest point of the Mount of Olives, which is to be so high that from its top may be seen both the Mediterranean and the Dead Sea.

AT Quayaquil, Ecuador, it has been found necessary to impose heavy fines in order to abolish the custom indulged in by both men and women of sending chaffing and immoral messages by telephone.

A NEW illuminant has been introduced in Scotland. It is obtained from the evaporation of hydrocarbon oils, and produces an intense white flame up to 3,000 candle power, at a cost of one shilling an hour per 1,000 candles. The name of the light is "portable sunlight."

EUROPE'S annual expenditure for armies and flags is $3,857,500,000. The national debts incurred by war aggregate $24,113,057,655, on which $1,000,000,000 is annually paid out for interest. The war question is rapidly merging into a financial one, if it is not there already. Only three or four nations are left who can afford even a short war.

A TELEPHONE apparatus, so simple in construction as not to cost more than half a dollar, has been invented in Paris, which can be fitted to the electric wire of the ordinary ringing apparatus at front doors, in interior rooms of houses, everywhere, in short, where the ordinary electric buttons are used, by means of which it will be possible to give and receive instructions, to know who is knocking at the door, to communicate, in short, by speaking as well as by ring.

TRADE AND COMMERCE.

ENGLAND takes three-fifths of the present wheat export of this country.

SIX million tons of coal are annually produced by the mines of Kansas.

OVER five million dollars worth of cheese is annually shipped across the water.

INDIAN corn to the value of twenty-four million dollars is annually shipped to the English.

THE manufacturers of salt throughout this country are about to form a large trust company similar to that governing the coal industry.

GREAT BRITAIN has taken from the United States as high as $5,000,000 worth of cattle in seven months. Next to this the West Indies are the largest purchasers.

A SUGAR refinery is to be erected by Eastern parties at Philadelphia, which will be the largest in this country. Three million dollars is the amount of capital involved.

THE Southern and Western "booms" are drawing in their directions much capital that will never return, yet it is thought that trade and industry are in a prosperous condition.

AT present there are several German oil-tank steamships running to the United States. These will be supplemented by a fleet of tank steamers each having a capacity of 300,000 gallons, which are to be built by an American oil company.

SORGHUM bids fair to become as great a crop in the United States as corn. In addition to its value for sugar it has many other attributes useful in as many industries. From the seed oil is extracted, and from the refuse in the sugar process paper is made.

MISSOURI furnishes three-quarters of all the zinc produced in the United States. The demand for zinc is constantly increasing. The metal is used in the manufacture of paints, coating electric light wires, etc. Notwithstanding the amount mined in this country, we annually import more than we produce.

THE machinists throughout the country were never busier than at present. All of the larger shops in New York and New Jersey are sold up from one to three months. Skilled labor is wanted, and some is coming from England, but the bulk of it is from native sources, where the education and training are better adapted to the requirements.

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ONE explanation of the origin of the mark "O. K." is that it came from a brand of excellent tobacco from the town of Aux Cayes, Santo Domingo.

THE principal sources of crystalline sulphur are at present Italy, Sicily and Croatia. Moravia, Poland and Iceland are also rich in this and earthy sulphur.

IN 1530 wheat first found its way into Mexico. From Mexico it was taken to Peru. It was introduced into the United States a about the time of its settlement by the English.

WHENEVER the Declaration of Independence was officially proclaimed, it was from an observatory in the State-house yard. It is stated as a fact, that the Declaration was not signed on the Fourth of July.

THE title of Prince of Wales was first conferred upon Edward II., son of Edward I., King of England, in the thirteenth century. The Welsh people wanted a prince who was a native of their own soil, so the King gave them his son born at Caernarvon while he was warring with the Welsh.

TO PYTHAGORAS 528 B. C. is attributed the origin of Metempsychosis or the transmigration of soul. The Egyptians are also supposed to have believed in it as they would not eat any animal food for fear they would devour the soul of some deceased friend. They had also an idea that so long as the body of the deceased was kept entire, the soul would not transmigrate, and therefore embalmed their dead.

CHINA has the longest bridge in the world. It is at Lagange over an arm of the China sea. It is five miles long, built entirely of stone, has three hundred arches each seventy feet wide. The roadway is also seventy feet wide. The parapet consists of a balustrade, each of the pedestals of which are seventy feet apart, and support a pedestal on which is a lion twenty-one feet long, carved from a single block of marble.

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BY THE WAY.

—Opinions will be delivered in the Court of Errors and Appeals on Friday.

—According to the almanac, Winter begins in earnest today—the shortest day of the year.

—A peep into the show windows of our merchants is greatly relished by the juvenile population.

—The public schools in the city and North Plainfield will close on Friday and remain closed during next week.

—The streets were again alive with merry sleighriders yesterday, but the sleighing was of an inferior quality.

—Christmas trees are now coming in town in large numbers. Most of them are cut in Washington Valley and on the Short Hills.

—A local astronomer asserts that the bright star now visible in the morning skies is the planet Venus, now unusually near the earth.

—A horse attached to an express wagon run away on West Second street, early yesterday morning. The animal was caught soon afterward on Park avenue.

—The blundering types yesterday made the PRESS say that there would be a special event on the grounds of the Middlesex Gun Club on Christmas Day. The item should have read *no* special event.

—"Society is divided into two sets," says little Johnny; "the up-sets and the down-sets." That is a settler, but it doesn't settle the fact that the children's sets at Collier's are up-sets in excellence and down-sets in price.

—The officers have not yet succeeded in locating Wm. McNair of Scotch Plains, who is alleged to have eruelly beat his wife and children on Monday of last week. The community, at least, is fortunate to rid itself of such a scamp.

—Mr. W. N. Rowe, the Front street decorator, lost a good milch cow on Saturday. The animal got loose in the barn during the night, and besides drinking a couple of pails of water, made a meal of about 75 pounds of bran.

—The ice men in this city do not anticipate that they will experience any difficulty in getting a sufficient supply of ice for next Summer's use. Messrs. John H. Tier & Sons, did not begin cutting last Winter's supply until January 3d, of the present year.

—Toboggan slides, it is announced, will not be as fashionable this Winter as last. This printing office, however, will continue to write receipts for all money due it for either job work, advertising or subscription. This is a fashion that we promise to adhere to.

—Messrs. Dickinson & Clawson, of No. 13 Park avenue, have on hand a full line of jewelry, watches, clocks, etc., suitable for Christmas and New Year presents. According to their announcement elsewhere, for quality their goods are unsurpassed, and their prices reasonable.

—It is said that a purse of $500 has been offered to Thomas Newland—the plumber, who is to appear against the five young men from this city, whom he claims assaulted him—at the trial at New Brunswick on Thursday of last week, to discontinue his suit. This cannot be done, as the matter is a State offence.

—Now that we have a directory giving the numbers of houses, it would be wise for citizens, when writing communications, to give the number of their place of residence, and have their answers thus addressed. It will assist in becoming used to a system that must prevail when free delivery comes to town.

—The "Y" rooms were thrown open yesterday afternoon for their Business Meeting but owing to the small attendance no business could be transacted and the meeting was adjourned. All meetings after this will be at three instead of four o'clock. Devotional meeting first Tuesday and business meeting the third Tuesday of every month.

—The "beautiful snow" poet arrived early in the week, but he did not stay long.

—The season for obituary notices of the little boy, "who would a skating go," has arrived, but it is yet young.

—It is an acknowledged fact that some men never pay the printer until they have cancelled all their other obligations. It is also true that some men never pay at all.

—Next Sunday is "Hospital Sunday" throughout most of the United States. Churches in this city that can, without interfering with established precedents, will make collections for Muhlenburg.

—Mr. P. M. French, the miller, is making decided improvements about the boiler house at the mill on Somerset street. The old wooden building has been replaced by a substantial brick structure.

—The interior of the stores, with their abundant and artistic display of holiday goods, attract many purchasers. There are a great many pretty novelties for holiday presents offered the public this year, and the prices as recorded in our advertising columns, are within the reach of all.

—Some of the firemen of the city are offering their exemption certificates in part payment (to the amount of $5) for their taxes, claiming that according to law they are entitled to such exemption. Collector Johnson says he has received no instructions to allow the five dollar exemption to firemen, and consequently the claim is not allowed.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Miss Lissignolo of Montague street, Brooklyn, is visiting Miss Randolph of East Front street.

Mr. J. Barton Kline has entirely recovered from another relapse of his late illness. We will miss his service from the railroad ticket office, no longer.

A pair of handsome candelabra have been placed in Holy Cross church, by Mrs. Leonard Dater, formerly of North Plainfield, as memorials to her deceased husband and daughter.

Rev. C. H. Yatman of Newark, who successfully conducted a series of revival meetings in this city a few months ago, is now engaged in evangelical work at Independence, Mo., where he is greeted, daily, by immense audiences.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Sutton entertained a few of their friends, last evening, at their residence on Park avenue. Refreshments were served, and singing and other parlor amusements were indulged in until the party broke up early this morning.

The funeral of the late Charles W. Van Slyck took place from his father's residence, at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. The Rev. K. P. Ketcham officiated. The remains will be taken to Valatia, Columbia county, N. Y., for interment, to-morrow.

At the Christmas festival of the scholars of the Sunday school of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, to be held at the residence of the rector, Rev. Dr. J. P. Taylor, on Thursday evening of next week, Mr. Geo. Stevens, otherwise known as "Wade Whipple," will be the Santa Claus for the occasion.

Mr. J. Allen Sangston, one of the most courteous of the very affable prescription clerks at Reynolds' Pharmacy, has been taken so ill that he was compelled to return to his home at Wilmington, Del., yesterday. During that which we hope will be but a temporary absence, his place is more than filled by the return of Mr. J. Howard Leggett.

The increase in the freight traffic in this city within the past few months has been noticeably large. So large in fact that Mr. Joseph A. Haynes, the efficient station agent, found that he was unable to attend to it, and Mr. Clarence Teal has been appointed cashier of the freight department, a position heretofore occupied by Mr. Haynes. This decrease in the labors of the station agent, to a certain extent, is deserving.

Ex-Councilman John Cameron arrived in this city last evening from Sand Hills, Missouri, where he has been engaged the past year in constructing a portion of the Santa Fee & California Railroad. He returns in a few days to complete necessary business, incident to his contract, which has been a successful one in all respects. Mr. Joseph C. Ohl, who accompanied Mr. Cameron when he commenced business operations on the above road, under the firm name of Battell & Cameron, is still in the firm's employ, a trusted and honored employee.

Among those who witnessed the fine acting of Miss Annie Pixley and her company at Music Hall, Monday evening last, was Mr. Geo. Thatcher and wife of Westfield. Mr. Thatcher's combination, the world-renowned Thatcher, Primrose & West minstrels, are "laying off" the present week, preparatory to their opening performance in Brooklyn, New York, next week. Mr. Thatcher's new residence on the corner of Central avenue and Seventh street, will be ready for occupancy early in the Spring, when he expects to become a resident of our fair city.

The "FIRST VIEW."

THE OPENING OF THE LOAN EXHIBITION.

A General Outline of the Collection of Art Objects Presented.

Despite the most uncomfortable of weather, both over-head and under-foot, the first view of the Loan Exhibition arranged for the profit and pleasure of the Plainfield public, was attended by a large and cultured audience, in the Art Gallery, last evening. The tickets for this "opening" were limited to two hundred at one dollar each, and there were about 150 present. At the entrance to the gallery it was announced that the admission tickets of the evening were to be retained until another evening, so that the purchasers would have an opportunity to revisit the collection of paintings, enamels and porcelains, and enjoy an examination at their leisure. Because of such privilege and on account of the non-arrival of the catalogues, those present generally gathered in the main gallery and secured seats for the lecture that was promised. What is an art exhibition without a catalogue?

Directly opposite the gallery entrance, stood a table on which was a costly incense burner of antique bronze intricately carved. A fairy lamp inside, spread by its heat the pungent order of myrrh through the room. So thoroughly intellectual an audience, and one so representative of the community's best culture, has seldom been seen as that which grouped itself before this improvised altar. For over an hour Mr. F. X. Schoonmaker held the undivided attention of this audience by his eloquent and intelligent lecture upon "The Chinese and Their Arts." The frequent applause, at times, as well as the hushed silence, was most flattering commendation.

From his lecture the following description of the material and the methods of manufacture of cloisonne enamels, is taken. It will be found in greater detail in the catalogues when issued: The art of making cloisonne enamels was a natural result of the carrying out to a refined ideal the ancient process of inlaying precious stones on metal surfaces for purposes of decoration. In the early process beds were dug out and in them the stones of various colors were laid and fastened by raised points of the metal turned over and clamped. Following this old time method came that of filling the beds with a paste made of powdered glass of the desired hue, and securing it permanently in the metallic cells by melting it with a blow-pipe, thus forming what was practically an enamel designed to imitate precious stones. This style of Cloisonne is known as "*Champ-leve*"—surface-raised enamel. Afterwards was invented a new process whereby the partition walls of the spaces to be filled with colored enamels could be constructed with greater facility, enabling the artists to make the elaborately decorated and beautiful objects now generally known as Cloisonne Enamels. This consisted of making the partitions separately from the body to be ornamented. They were now built of four-sided copper strips, which were shaped to fit the lines of the drawings representing the intended partitions fastened on the body, the enclosures thus formed being then filled with the colors. The art, under the improved method, was carried to a marvelous degree of perfection in China and Japan, but has long since decayed in all but the mechanical features. No one today knows how to mingle the substances—pulverized quartz with various coloring matters—that formed the beautiful vitrified enamels once made; and no one can, at the present day, imitate successfully the solidity and brilliancy of the colors used by the old Chinese masters. The art of making the enamels used in the formation of all these old pieces is lost; the skill displayed in the production of the brilliant colors employed on them, and in the blending of such extreme opposites as, for instance, greens and blues, has never been possessed by any artists but those of China, and in China by but a few whose exceptional genius was developed by the peculiar conditions of the imperial patronage, and within a comparatively brief period, long passed.

The Schoonmaker Collection that is exhibited, is valued at $18,000. It contains eighty-seven specimens of the finest examples know to exist. All other collections in the World together, do not equal it. The South Kensington Museum in England only contains twenty pieces, and the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art, but eight. The great authority of the country, thus endorses it:

F. X. Schoonmaker, Esq.:

DEAR SIR: Having personally examined the Cloisonne Enamels placed in the Male Art Museum, I am sure that no such number of rare pieces can be seen in any other museum in Europe or America.

RUFUS E. MOORE.

New York, Dec. 14, 1887.

The porcelains also loaned by Mr. Schoonmaker, are exquisite and valuable specimens. One is a *fac simile* in shape, and almost the shade, of the "Peachblow Vase" recently sold in New York for $40,000. It was made at the same period, the Kang Hee dynasty, 1661—1722. The art that produced these porcelains is lost, probably forever.

Descriptive catalogues of all this, and more, will be sold at fifteen cents, a price too low for their intrinsic and instructive worth. The book is printed in brown, with a vignette cover by Mr. George Wharton Edwards of this city, and artistic head and tail pieces.

In the absence of catalogues, it is impossible to give a general review of the paintings on exhibition, or to do the justice of honorable mention to all who have kindly loaned some treasure of art towards the success of the affair. As a whole—we have the endorsement of no less an authority than Mr. Rufus E. Moore, of the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art, who says our city owns a public art gallery that excels any of its kind in the possession of meritorious and valuable works, and is not equalled by even a city so enterprising and rich as St. Louis. In consequence, the addition of thousands of dollars worth of ceramics and paintings, offers the public such an exhibition as even the people of the largest metropolis in the World are not often favored with. In particular, there are many gems of skill and talent in both oil and water-color. Of these we can only speak of a few today, and leave the large majority, with the specimens of cloisonne enamel and porcelain, until a future article.

The gem of the few portraits in oil exhibited, is that of Mr. Croly, a grass widower of uncertain age who resides at present in Central Park, New York. The portrait is the work of J. H. Beard, the great animal painter, who values it at $1,500. He is the present owner, and loaned the picture to Plainfield's Gallery. The flesh tints are remarkably natural about the hands and mouth.

W. Morgan is represented by three examples of his work, loaned by Mr. Schoonmaker. One, a girl divining if he loves her, by the petals of a daisy, shows the perfection of nature in the coloring of the neck and arms; and another, a gypsy offering to tell your fortune, has an underskirt of blanket flannel that is wonderfully true in texture.

Mrs. A. C. Baldwin loans a Cropsey. It is an autumnal scene rich in foilage color and great in prospective.

Mr. George Wharton Edwards shows a number of typical paintings—entirely original and exceedingly artistic in treatment. There are no paintings in the exhibition that attract more attention. Mr. Edwards *forte* is artistic book-illustrations, but he has reason to claim more for his painting in many ways that some of the highest-priced artists represented in the Gallery.

We cannot understand why the "best hung" picture in the exhibition should be the overgrown canvas that is said to depict "The Death of Gen'l Sedgwick." There is merit in it, and we are told some of the liknesses are considered good, but it is unnecessarily offensive in treatment, and incomplete and defective in drawing. Yet our principal objection is, it is given too much prominence among pictures that all excel it. When it was exhibited at the Metropolitan Art Academy in the Spring, the New York critics of acknowledged judgment condemned it, and the most important said in his review, "it would not be hung in any well regulated competition."

But in justice to the painter, and out of respect to the judgment of the connoisseurs quoted below, we with pleasure give Mr. Schoonmaker's exact words to a PRESS reporter last evening. He said: "As lecturer engaged to speak on a specified topic last night, I felt I would presume if I should go out of my lines and refer to the pictures, although I was under strong temptation to do os. But permit me as a reader of THE PRESS to quote the remark of one of the greatest of living art-critics, who visited the Male Gallery just before the opening: 'The collection of pictures is astonishing in number, quality and artistic arrangement. It excels all I had supposed any town less than a capitol was capable of making. That original picture there—The Death of Gen. Sedgwick—would honor any wall.' And yet of all the people present at the First View, I saw no one more modest than the genius who produced that canvas and whose hard work and fine taste contributed so much to the splendid arrangement of the gallery—Julian Scott."

Space being limited we must neglect other paintings today, though we would just here advise our readers not to miss a few beauties in French water-colors, that will be found in other rooms apart from the main gallery. A special notice, however, is due the handsome furnishing that has been given the ladies' parlor on the first floor. Mrs. Charles Wadsworth, Mrs. Mason W. Tyler, Mrs. Rowland Cox and Mrs. Talmage, have succeeded at an expense of about $500 in fitting up a most charming room for ladies who have long desired a quiet place for reading. The walls are covered with cartridge paper in soft tints, and decorated with some of the art treasures from the rooms above. Curtain hangings, carpet and every article of furniture displays fine taste and good judgment.

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Public School Work on Exhibition.

Plainfield will have great reason to be proud of the assortment of specimens from all grades and departments of our schools, that will form a part of the exhibition of School Work to be held in the State Normal School during the meeting of the State Teachers' Association, at Trenton, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week. The special departments of work which will have rooms or sections arranged for their display are the following: Mathematics, penmanship and bookkeeping, drawing, industrial and kindergarten work, geography, language, including spelling, grammar, analysis, etc., natural and physical sciences, miscellaneous. In each of the rooms there will be tables for the display of certain kinds of work, and wall space for others. Specimens intended for display on the walls are to be fastened on paper or cards 22x28 inches in size. Each of the sheets will have the name of the subject and school, in large letters, not less than a half inch in length, at the top, and each specimen will have the name of both student and teacher, at the right-hand lower corner. Drawings from the object, maps drawn from memory, and original work of any kind, will have these facts stated on the specimens. Only the best and most attractive work will be arranged for display upon the walls. The general work will be pasted in scrap-books or bound together with paper-fasteners, for the tables. Each scrap-book, or any other article intended for the tables, will have the subject, school, and county or city exhibiting, plainly marked on the *outside*. It is expected that there will be a display of maps drawn in class, from memory, in a specified time. A moderately accurate outline map drawn from memory, in twenty minutes, shows more useful geographical teaching than the most elaborately drawn, coasted and painted map that can be exhibited. An outline sketch of an object, which plainly shows the form intended, is worth, in an educational way, any number of drawings from copies.

The work that will be exhibited from the schools of this city, has all been prepared at the beginning of the present school year in response to a request of President Austin C. Apgar, of the State Normal School, for such an exhibition as above. Some of the work even is by scholars just commencing their first year in school, yet the specimens are most commendable.

Jerusalem Lodge Election.

The annual meeting for the election of officers for Jerusalem Lodge No. 26, F. and A. M., of this city, took place last evening, and resulted as follows:

W. M.—John Chandler.
S. W.—Henry Woodland.
J. W.—H. S. Mason.
Treasurer—J. G. Miller.
Secretary—John Vetterlein.
Trustees—Dr. J. B. Probasco, T. O. Doane, W. H. Sebring.

The services installing the newly elected officers into their respective offices will take place on Tuesday, Jan. 3d.

Heavy Tax Collections.

Yesterday was the last chance for a backward taxpayer to save becoming a delinquent, and, in consequence, the receipts in the Collector's office were very heavy. Monday there was paid in, $13,594; and yesterday, $15,243. This amount was even twice as large as for the corresponding date of last year. It included two quite big checks: Mayor Job Male, $3,500, and Mr. Charles Potter, Jr., $1,600.

—The vestry of the Church of the Holy Cross met last night at their rectory on Washington avenue.

—The next regular meeting of the Exempt Firemen's Association of this city will be held in the parlors of Gazelle Eng. house, on the evening of Jan. 2d.

—On our last page is the Rev. Dr. Talmage's sermon of Sunday last on "The Way to Enjoy Life," with an extended review of recreations good and bad.

—The cause of the breaking of the window of Rand's store on Front street, Monday, was the accidental slipping of the brush in the hands of Mrs. Nixon, who was cleaning the large plate-glass.

—The recent snow storm somewhat hindered the work of constructing the new South Plainfield and Roselle railroad, but the difficulty was soon overcome and the work is now progressing favorably.

HE WROTE THE WRONG MAN.

How a Crescent Avenue Church Member Narrowly Escaped a Duel.

I heard of an amusing mistake of a Crescent Avenue church member, the other day. I wish I might tell you his name as a guarantee of the truth of the occurence. But I am so far sworn to secrecy. The story, however, is this. The Rev. Mr. Richards preached a sermon recently from the following text.

"Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell these forty years."

The Crescent Avenue member seems to have been less impressed with the ability of a mortal man to draw a lesson in righteousness from such words, than he was amused by the novel sentiment of the text itself. On the train the next morning he repeated it to an Elizabethan friend who was not, however, as amazed as he had been, because Mr. Elizabeth did not believe such text was in the Bible. Plainfield insisted it was, and hurried through his dinner that evening to hunt up the reference which he had promised to send the unbeliever. Having been successful, he wrote on the back of a postal:

DEAR SIR:

See Deuteronomy VIII, 4; XXIX, 5. Also Nehemiah, IX, 21.

Yours Very Truly

When he came to mail the card and consulted an Elizabeth directory, he discovered three or four residents of that city of the same name as his friend. But, as he supposed, he had no trouble in identifying the proper one, and sent the message on its way. But the one for whom the postal was intended, never got it. The man who did sent the astonished Plainfielder a letter in reply, to this effect:

DEAR SIR:

Verily have I studied the words of thy first and last epistle, but I learn not why you have exalted yourself as a prophet over me, or what manner of sin you would cast out. My raiment hath not waxed old upon me, for oft have I cast it off and gotten new; and verily are there—ah, there—no flies upon it. Neither doth my head nor my feet swell, and Bunyan's Progress not upon them.

May the Lord be with thee,

Now all that is merely amusing in view of the fortunate fact that the Plainfielder happened to address a gentleman who could appreciate the fact that a mistake had been made. Supposing the stranger had been a super-sensitive crank who insisted on punching his correspondent's head. Then your "double-headed" reporter would have had the assignment to write up the affair, instead of your

CITY SAUNTERER.

The Next Play.

The New York *Graphic* says of the play of "Forgiven," to be presented at Music Hall, Monday evening: "Their is a purity in the whole conception of the play which at once wins the hearts of the audience. The details are worked out and the situations arrived at with a natural simplicity which gives a most pleasing air of originality. Mr. Bryton, handsome as ever, was enthusiastically greeted as he came on the stage in his own natural way. There is a genuine simple airiness in his acting, which at once banishes all thought of the greenroom, and in a moment the spectator is unconsciously led hand in hand with John Diamond throughout all his troubles. Mr. Bryton reaches an intense pitch of pathos without effort, and by natural degrees so that there is no strain whatever, and the sympathies of his audience are magnetically impelled in the same direction, as was abundantly shown by the numerous spontaneous outbursts of applause last night."

—The date of Mrs. James Brown Potter's appearance in Music Hall, is New Year's Eve, Saturday, Dec. 31. There will be no advance in the prices.

—Mr. D. H. Terry, collector of Fanwood township, turned over to Collector Ward, of Elizabeth, yesterday morning, a check for $5,072.99, the amount of the township's county tax. Fanwood Township is usually among the first to pay to the County Collector its full quota of County taxes.

—The Flemington *Democrat* says: "Plainfield is trying to make an electric light company take its poles out of the way, but with no success. In such matters it is an extremely small corporation which is not bigger than the town." The fact of the matter is Plainfield, through its representatives the City Council, and the Electric Light Company, are working harmoniously together, and instead of trying to make the Company remove its poles, the Council has authorized the erection of extra ones. Our neighbor is a little mixed. North Plainfield has undertaken the task of compelling the company to remove the electric light poles, wires and other appurtenances, on the ground that the company failed to live up to the conditions upon which the privilege was given for the erection of the poles, and the stringing of wires thereon. Whether or not the poles will be removed, is a matter of some speculation. At any rate the work of removing them has not begun yet.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS

DEMOCRATS OPPOSED TO THE BLAIR EDUCATIONAL BILL.

Senators Edmunds and Call Have a Tilt Over the Mormons--Senator Riddleberger Creates a Scene.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Numerous petitions from various states were presented in favor of Mr. Blair's educational bill, and also a petition from citizens of Pennsylvania protesting against the admission of Utah as a state.

Mr. Allison, from the committee on finance, reported a bill to regulate the importation of foreign merchandise and to secure uniformity in the classification thereof and for other purposes—the undervaluation bill. He said it was an original bill which affects materially the laws in reference to imports, and asked, in view of its importance, that 10,000 extra copies be printed in pamphlet form. The bill was placed on the calendar and the motion to print was referred to the committee on printing.

Mr. Davis, from the committee on pensions, reported a bill to place the name of Mrs. Logan, the widow of Gen. John A. Logan, on the pension roll at the rate of $2,000 a year, and asked for its immediate consideration.

Mr. Berry objected, and the bill was placed on the calendar.

Mr. Davis also reported a bill to increase the pension of Mrs. Blair, widow of Gen. Frank P. Blair, and it was also placed on the calendar.

Mr. Edmunds asked that the postal telegraph bill introduced by him be taken from the table and referred to the postoffice committee.

The bill was referred, as well as the bill on the same subject introduced by Mr. Cullom.

Mr. Plumb offered a resolution, which was adopted, directing the secretary of the interior to inform the senate whether any persons are being ejected, at the instance of his department or otherwise, within his knowledge, from the lands purchased from the Chippeway and Muncie Indians in Kansas; and if so, what state of law or or facts justifies such action.

The resolution offered by Mr. Call yesterday to print in the *Congressional Record* the memorial Constitutional Convention of Utah, was called up by that gentleman, who asked that it be now adopted.

Mr. Edmunds preferred that the resolution be referred to the committee on territories, which now had jurisdiction of the subject.

Mr. Call argued that it was due to a community of 200,000 people to have its views fairly presented. He understood that less than 3 per cent. of these people were guilty of practices on the assumption of which the objection of the senator from Vermont was based.

He would now read the memorial to insure its publication in the *Record* and to show that there was nothing objectionable in it. He thereupon read the memorial. He added that the senator from Vermont knew that there was nothing disrespectful to congress, and that there was no reason in right or justice, why the senate should refuse to hear the petition of 200,000 American citizens.

Mr. Edmunds thanked the senator from Florida for his gratifying allusions to him. They were well worthy of him (Call) and he trusted that he (Edmunds) could bear them.

He certainly had not questioned the sincerity of the senator from Florida, for he (Call) had stood behind his polygamist hierachy every time that it had any interest to advance or any wholesome legislation to receive. He had done so with a great deal of ability and considereble zeal. He could give the senator the praise of being absolutely sincere in standing by the body of persons through thick and through thin, come good, come ill, and he expected that the senator would continue to do so; and if, in process of time, Utah should become a state, and the United States Constitution should be, changed so that one person might be a senator from two states, he had no doubt that the senator from Florida would be the first senator whom the Mormon hierarchy would select.

Senator Call replied, denying this statement. He said the question at issue was purely the right of the people of Utah to be heard.

Senators Stewart and Paddock said the senate should do nothing involving a recognition of the readiness and right of the territory to admission to the union.

The matter was brought to a close by Senator Call's withdrawal of the pending motion.

Senator Blair called up the educational bill.

Several democratic senators objected to giving precedence to this bill, and Senator Butler said he desired time to prepare a substitute. Senator Riddleberger created a scene by charging that the bound copy of the bill distributed to the senate and elsewhere was accompanied by perverted statements from the *Congressional Record* misrepresenting him.

By a vote of 38 to 15 the senate agreed to take up the bill.

Senator Blair took the floor, but yielded to a motion by Senator Edmunds to go into secret session. This was done at 2:15. The secret session continued for twenty-five minutes. A number of reports from the committee on postoffices and postroads on nominations of minor importance were made, and the nomination of S. J. Spaulding to be postmaster at Indianola, Iowa, was confirmed.

Gone Back to Coal.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 21.—The Standard Oil company, which for some time has been experimenting at its extensive works here with crude oil as fuel, ordered all the apparatus out, stored it carefully away, and returned to coal. The reason alleged is that the tank cars can be put to more profitable use than hauling fuel oil from the Findlay fields.

Treasury Department Retrenchment.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 21.—The treasury department has notified the collector of this port that the expenses of collecting the revenue must be diminished. An effort will be made to convince the department that, as this is the only custom house in the state, retrenchment can better be exercised either east or west of New Hampshire.

Colored Men Oppose Lamar.

BOSTON, Dec. 21.—The National League of Colored Men, at a meeting held in this city, adopted a resolution opposing the confirmation of Secretary Lamar as a judge of the supreme court of the United States, and copies of the resolution have been forwarded to Senators Hoar and Dawes.

To Celebrate the Pope's Jubilee.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 21.—Religious observances in honor of the Pope's jubilee will commence here on Friday next by the holding of the first services of a novena, which will be held throughout the entire archdiocese of Ottawa, and will conclude on the eve of New years.

INDIANA REPUBLICANS.

An Informal Conference of the Party's Leaders--Temperance Resolutions.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—"At the informal conference of republicans held here yesterday every congressional district was represented and more than three-fourths of the counties. Chairman Huston of the state central committee called the meeting to order and stated that the object was not to boom any candidates, but to devise means to elect a ticket when one shall have been named. He said: "I feel that it is important that republicans generally should exercise an influence in the party's affairs. Instead of arrogating to itself the control of affairs, the state central committee should consult the rank and file. If we are to carry this state in 1888 it will be only by the most thorough effort, and we can't begin too soon."

The Hon. Ira. J. Chase, department commander of the grand army, was chosen president, and committees on party organization and resolutions were appointed. After the matter relating to a speedy reorganization of the central committees in January and February was disposed of the resolutions were read by E. W. Halford, chairman of the committee. They were received with repeated cheers, the first sentence evoking applause, which greeted every resolution, especially the two upon temperance and the one opposing Lamar's nomination. The resolutions were adopted by a rising vote, and commended to the next state convention for a party platform. The temperance resolutions follow:

"We repeat with emphasis the declaration of the last platform, that politics and legislation shall be freed from every vestige of the domination and influence of the liquor power. The traffic in intoxicating liquors must and shall be made obedient to law.

"We reaffirm the belief that laws should be passed giving to local communities the right to control the traffic, and where it exists it should be under stringent regulations, and a tax should be placed upon it that will relieve the local treasuries of the extraordinary burdens it imposes upon the people."

Speeches were made by Gen. Harrison, ex-Gov. Porter, Hon. W. H. Calkins, and Speaker Sayre of the last house of representatives. In the course of his remarks Mr. Porter emphatically declared that he would not be a candidate for governor, that his name would not be before the next convention, and that this had been his determination from the day he left the office in 1885. The general impression seems to be that the prospects in the state are fairly good.

NO PAUPERS WANTED.

Massachusetts Sending Objectional Immigrants Back to Europe.

BOSTON, Dec. 21.—More paupers have been sent back to Europe this year by the state of Massachusetts than ever before. The greater part of the paupers returned are taken from the charitable institutions of the state. In some cases where the immigrant becomes a pauper within six months from the time of landing, he is sent back at the steamship company's expense, but in most cases this burden falls upon the state. Immigrants who are returned to Europe sometimes come back, and are sent back for the second time.

A woman 28 years old who has been for a year at the Danvers lunatic asylum, was sent home. Recently she was found among the steerage of an incoming steamer. When asked what she came for she replied: "To get married." She was returned by the steamer that brought her over. During the year ending Octobe. 1 the division of immigration has sent about 200 paupers to Great Britain and 25 to Canada. In addition, they have sent 500 paupers to other states of the union, the most of whom were foreign born. It has been decided not to allow any stowaways to land unless friends will come forward and show their ability and willingness to care for them. It has been found that stowaways usually bring up in jail.

Cigarmakers Secure Their Charter.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—The National convention of cigarmakers which began its sessions still continues. There were present delegates representing fifty odd local assemblies. Frederick Turner, general treasurer of the order of Knights of Labor and also a member of Cigarmakers and Packers' Local Assembly No. 53, of this city, with other members, composed a committee to further the attainment of a National district charter from the headquarters of the General Executive board. They succeeded in doing this. The new assembly was numbered 225. An election of officers was held at which Anthony Seningen, of local assembly No. 53, of Philadelphia, was chosen as national master workman, and Albert Hoffman, of Cincinnati, as secretary. The afternoon session was taken up by the consideration and adoption by the constitution and by-laws.

Guilty of Murdering his Tenant.

PETERSBURG, Va., Dec. 21.—Harvey Jones a widely known citizen of Isle of Wight county, this state, who has been on trial in the circuit court of that county for the past two weeks for the brutal murder of Walter Sadler, has been convicted of murder in the first degree, which is punishable with death. Sadler was one of Jones's tenants. The two men became involved in a dispute about a horse, during which Jones shot Sadler through the head, killing him instantly. Both parties were very well known in the county and a great deal of interest was felt as to the result of the trial. Jones is a married man with six or eight children.

Fatal Railroad Collision.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 21.—News of a disastrous collision near Kensett, Ark., on the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern railroad, between the south-bound passenger train and the north-bound freight train, has just reached this city. The collision occurred yesterday morning. Engineer Hill of the passenger train was seriously hurt, and his fireman, R. Tenne, killed. A number of passengers are reported killed and wounded, but it is impossible to learn particulars. The cause of the accident is unknown.

Tobacco Stores Siezed.

MONTREAL, Dec. 21.—An extensive seizure has been made on the premises of Mr. W. F. Page, tobacco manufacturer, 456 St. Paul street, by the Inland revenue department. The ground alleged is that the firm has been using the government stamps a second time. The factory is closed, and is being watched by two special constables. The inspector from Ottawa is in town in connection with the affair. It is expected that the report of the appraisers will be finished this evening and sent to Ottawa.

The Thoebe-Carlisle Contest.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The house committee on elections was called together yesterday to fix a date for the consideration of the Thoebe-Carlisle contested election case. The committee after a short discussion settled upon Friday, January 6, as the date for taking up the case.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 16, 1887.

Bayles, Jas	Klepper, John
Bradey, Mr S	Kenny, Edward
Baierbett. Miss Auguste	Kailor, Joseph
Boardman, Miss E H	Lancht, Miss M
Baker, Miss S Louise	Lothrop, Miss
Berley Miss Anna (2)	Martin, Mrs Elizabeth
Bradley, Geo W	Mayhan, H D
Clasek, Olliyer G H	Norton, S S
Culvan, Miss Alice	Nedham, John
Gray, Miss M	Smith Miss Minnie
Hanrahan, Miss Kate	Shyle, Miss May
Heorling, Mrs F O	Sloyen, John
Hohn, Miss Julie	Schoonmacker, Mrs G B
Helmer, Fredrick	Thompson, Miss A L
Height, Miss Katie	Williams, Miss Grace
Kiely, Mr.	Walker, H
Kilroy, Mrs E C	Wilson, R F

Persons calling for above please say advertised.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

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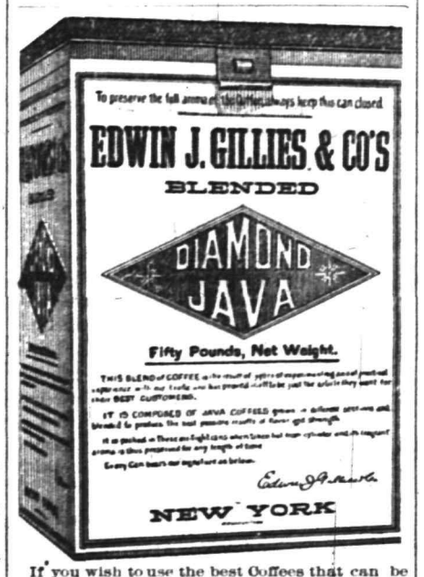

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Arrested for No Offense—He Refuses to Sign His Name to a Confession, Although Threatened With Death.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 21.—Ricardo Nadal, the American who was so brutally treated at Porto Rico by the Spanish authorities, has arrived at Key West en route to this country.

He was born in Porto Rico. When quite young he was brought to the United States, where he remained until he had attained his majority, and was graduated as a civil engineer, and was also fully naturalized as an American citizen. Seven years ago he returned to Porto Rico to practice his profession. He always kept aloof from the schemes there, and was greatly surprised a few weeks ago, when, on returning to his home from a walk, he was arrested by the captain of the guardia civil, (mounted police), who was armed and had several armed followers. After being asked his name they roughly bade him follow them. He hesitated a moment, when the ruffians pounced upon him and dragged him out of his house, handcuffed him with a long steel chain and padlock and ordered him on march.

He was taken before a court composed of the very captain who arrested him and several subordinate officers and soldiers. The handcuffs were on so tightly that Nadal implored his captors to loosen them, but they refused and only taunted him, adding that by the time the guardia civil had finished with him he would not need any chain. He was then asked if he knew of any conspiracy to overthrow the Spanish government, though they said there was no use to deny it, as they were convinced of his guilt. They severely questioned and cross-examined him for an hour, and when he protested and claimed the protection due to an American they sneered at him, and said that would make it only worse for him.

He was then forced to march out, still cruelly pinioned, and when he made a misstep and fell the guards beat him with their muskets till the blood ran. One of the guards then dragged him by the hair of his head to an adjoining room and ordered him to stand. This he was unable to do. They then further ill treated him, and said if he did not confess he was a leader in the conspiracy they would kill him, presenting at the same time a written confession for him to sign. He still refused and was knocked insensible by a blow from a guard's gun.

On coming to he was asked if he was ready to sign, and being half dead, he nodded his head. The captain then came in, and seeing his condition, took the pen in his own hand and signed Nadal's name. He was then violently thrown out of the room and left to find his way home. But for his friend's assistance he would have perished on the street. His story then goes on to recount the insults offered the American consul there, who was told to "shut his mouth or he would suffer for it." Havana papers are all highly indignant over the outrage and denounce the authorities in unmeasured terms.

INVESTIGATING ACCOUNTS.

Queer Work in the Passenger Department of a Railroad.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21.—John Henry, traveling passenger agent of the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie railroad, and a number of other officials and clerks in the passenger department and ticket office, yesterday received notifications that their presence would not be required at their respective desks for a few days, as the books of the department were being audited to get ready for a new system of handling tickets about to be adopted by the management.

This is the beginning of a series of developments in the passenger department of the Pittsburg and Lake Erie railroad which promises to assume the proportions of the recent startling disclosures in the freight department of the Panhandle. For months the high officials of the road have suspected that something very loose or something positively crooked has existed in the ticket sales and receipts of the road, and within a few weeks they have obtained proof that they were being systematically robbed.

It is thought that counterfeit tickets are in existence, and from the system of ticket accounts kept by the company it would hardly be possible, without collusion, for fraud to be perpetrated, In an interview Gen. Supt. Holbrook said: "No person is accused of defrauding the road. There has been some very careless work done, however, and this we propose to put right. If anything crooked exists it will be found and investigated. To do this we thought best to give the auditor and his clerks full chance, and have merely laid off these men for the time being."

"There are some very peculiar tickets used on the road, and I propose to find out whether they come from our own clerks, ticket brokers, or from other sources."

A Railroad Savings Fund.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—The scheme of the Pennsylvania railroad company for the establishment of an employes' savings institution has been perfected, and president Roberts issued a circular outlining the plan. Any employe may deposit with any freight or ticket agent designated to receive the same, any sum of even dollars not exceeding $100 in any one month. Until further order of the board of directors interest at the rate of 4 per centum per annum will be allowed. Depositors desiring to withdraw will be required to give ten days' notice.

Blaine and Cameron.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21. It is rumored that even some of Mr. Blaine's friends have reached the conclusion that the president's message has made Mr. Blaine's nomination against Mr. Cleveland unwise. Senator Cameron, of Pennsylvania, it is said, is discussed as a probable republican nomihee for the presidency. It is thought that he is the only man who could rouse Mr. Conkling and the old guard.

Believed to Have Gone to the Bottom.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 21.—No news has yet been received of the British schooner Equator, Captain Alibury, from Nassau for Baracoa, with a cargo of fruit. She is now eight weeks overdue, and it is believed she has gone down with all on board. Beside Captain Albury she carried a crew of eight men.

A Notorious Bandit Captured.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Dec. 21.—The notorious bandit Bernal, who has terrorized the states of Sonora and Sinaloa in Mexico, has been arrested in old Albuquerque and locked up in the county jail.

Maintain the Wool Tariff.

SACREMENTO, Cal., Dec. 21.—Prominent wool growers met here yesterday and adopted resolutions condemning any effort of reduction of the tariff on wool.

SALISBURY'S SPEECH.

NOT SO EASY NOW TO START A EUROPEAN WAR.

The Cork Herald Will Not Stay Suppressed--John Wants to Fight Both Kilrain and Smith.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Lord Salisbury's speech at Derby Monday night has perceptibly calmed public opinion on the war question. It is believed here that, while there is some real basis for the recent uneasiness, the war scare has been largely originated and formulated by the continental newspaper correspondents, who have little but war news on which to exercise their pens and love of intrigue.

It is not so easy to get up a European war now as it was in the days of small armies. To-day the situation is armed nations, not mere armies, and it is difficult to move them, except in a cause that appeals directly to the national pride or sentiment. There is really no plausible pretext for a quarrel between Russia and Austria or Germany. With Germany and France the case is different. But even here, though both nations are thoroughly ready to enter upon a campaign at a moment's notice, it is safe to assert that at no time since the fall of Louis Napoleon have France and Germany been on such friendly terms as now. Russia, with her enormous power under the control of an irresponsible ruler, is of course a standing menace to the peace of Europe.

Salisbury is thoroughly non-committal on the tariff question. He is in no sense a political economist, he is rather a temporizing politician, who will use any pretext to prolong the tory party's lease of power.

CATHOLICS AND HOME RULE.

The Mayor of Cork Wishes to Continue the Sale of the Cork "Herald."

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Most Rev. Edward T. O'Dwyer, Roman Catholic Bishop of Limerick, writes to the papers accusing the nationalist papers of trying to coerce Mgr. Persico and the Pope, and condemning their methods. He declares that the present guidance of the Irish agitation is politically stupid and morally wrong.

Bishop O'Dwyer denies that he supported the government in an intrigue with Mgr. Persico. He admits that he approved the land agitation, but declares that he condemned boycotting and the plan of campaign.

DUBLIN, Dec. 21.—Notwithstanding the imprisonment of Mr. Hopper, M. P. and editor of the Cork *Herald*, Mr. Tanner, M. P., and many news agents persist in selling copies of the paper containing reports of meetings of suppressed branches of the National league. The mayor of Cork and a committee of the Cork branch of the National league have summoned a public meeting for the purpose of adopting the measures which will insure the continued sale of the paper.

Japan Calls in Her Coin.

YOKOHAMA, Japan, Dec. 21.—The government has decided to call in all the gold and silver coin which it has heretofore kept deposited in banks in foreign countries, in order to pay off public debts abroad without making it necessary to send out money from Japan for the purpose. Heretofore this coin has been allowed to so remain in banks abroad without drawing interest. There is now a decided outflow of silver coin from this country, due probably to the constant and increasing difference between imports and exports, and in order to make it certain that no difference will arise from this cause between the value of corresponding denominations of silver and paper, it is deemed necessary to call in all this idle gold and silver coin.

Sullivan Anxious for a Fight.

GLASGOW, Dec. 21.—John L. Sullivan gave another exhibition here last night. He has issued a challenge to fight either Smith or Kilrain for $5,000 a side. John L. Sullivan's challenge is to fight the first week in April and Smith the first week in may, or vice versa.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—It is generally conceded in sporting circles that Jake Kilrain won the fight yesterday with Smith and that the American is the better man. It is looked upon also in the light of a moral victory as prize fights go.

No Bounties for Sugar.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The presence of Mr. Henry White, secretary of the American legation, at a banquet given by the members of the sugar bounties conference, would indicate that an intense, although unofficial interest was being taken just at present in America's attitude in regard to the bounty theory. English sugar men having declared against the granting of foreign bounties, they are naturally anxious to ascertain what the large dealers in America think on the subject.

Hamburg's Chinese Concession.

HAMBURG, Dec. 21. A company has been formed here with a capital of $250,000 in shares with power enabling it to borrow $125,000 more, for the purpose of establishing a line of coasting steamers in Chinese waters.

Lincoln Leads the List.

LEXINGTON, Mo., Dec. 21.—The editor of the *Register* has been sending circulars to the editors of the weekly republican papers in Missouri, Kansas and Illinois, asking for their preferences for president. Of sixty-nine replies so far received thirty-six are for Lincoln, thirteen for Sherman, twelve for Blaine, two for Harrison, one for Sheridan, one for Fisk, one for Gresham, and three for the field.

Reducing the Wages of 3,000 Men.

SCRANTON, Dec. 21.—The employes of the Lackawanna Iron and Coal company and the Scranton Steel company have been informed that a reduction of 10 per cent. in their wages will be made on January 2. About 3,000 workmen will be affected.

Reported Wholesale Lynching.

SCOTTSBORO, Ky., Dec. 21.—News has reached this place that the five bond robbers and incendiaries, in jail at Tompkinsville, were taken out last night and lynched to telegraph poles.

Blown to Fragments.

ISHPEMING, Mich., Dec. 21.—Thomas Brewer held two sticks of dynamite in one hand in the Lake Superior mine yesterday and lit his pipe with the other. As a result he was blown to fragments.

Toronto's Bonds Below Par.

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 21.—The tender of Brunton, Bourke & Co., of London, Eng., for $837,000 of 4 per cent. city of Toronto debentures, has been accepted at 95 1-8 per cent. net.

ASSAULTED BY A MASKED MAN.

Mrs. Mary Russell's Desperate Struggle With a Ruffian.

WESTBORO, Mass., Dec. 21.—An unknown masked man assaulted Mrs. Mary Russell, wife of Walter Russell, a farmer living in the outskirts of this village, at her home early yesterday morning. She stepped to the door to shake the breakfast table cloth when she was met by the man who said:—"If you speak a word, d——n you, I'll kill you."

Saying this, he seized Mrs. Russell by both wrists, and forced her across the room. Releasing her wrists, he tried to clasp her about the waist. Her fears gave her additional strength, and she struggled with great vigor for the protection of her honor. Round the room they went, while furniture was upset, and all the time the attacked woman was losing her strength. She screamed loudly for help, but no one came to her aid.

Finally the man began to beat her with his fists, inflicting several bruises. Then he took up a chair and struck her over the head, felling her to the floor, where she says she lay unconscious until her assailant had gone.

The visitor stole Mr. Russell's overcoat, which he wore away. He was tracked for two miles down a wood road and the trail was lost. Men are now scouring the woods with guns. If seen the fellow will be shot like a dog.

Mrs. Russell, though badly hurt, will probably recover.

Farmers Driven Back to Wood.

STAMFORD, Conn., Dec. 21.—In many of the country towns of this state farmers have returned to the ways of their grandfathers and are now using wood for fuel. They have searched their garrets, hay lofts and out-of-the-way places about the farm buildings, where the relics of a generation or two ago are kept, for their air-tight and Franklin stoves for burning wood. The high price of coal causes this. They say they will burn themselves out of house and home before the winter is over buying coal at $7.50 a ton. The demand for wood has caused an increase in the price, good hickory, sawed and split, being worth from four to six dollars a cord more than it was in the fall. A farmer who raises a good many early plants has been cutting the wood all off his farm to warm his houses this winter. He says coal would cost him one thousand dollars, and then he can only get three tons at a time. He is compelled to keep men about his forcing houses all night to feed the wood fires to keep the plants from freezing.

Privations on the Plains.

WICHITA, Dec. 21.—Private advices from the western part of the state gives some startling information regarding the blizzard which is raging throughout the western states and territories. It is feared that in the districts where the coal famine has been raging great suffering and loss of life will result. Entire settlements are known to have been out of fuel and people have been using buffalo chips for necessary fire for the past month. Notwithstanding the urgent demand for fuel the railroad companies have so far either refused or been unable to supply western settlers and now that the blizzard is upon them some frightful results are expected.

An Old Outlaw Found Dead.

REDSTONE JUNCTION, Pa., Dec. 21.—Elihu Gregg, who for fifty years had been the terror of the border farmers of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio and Maryland, was found dead a few days ago on the West Virginia mountains, with a bullet-hole in his breast. Gregg, who was over eighty years old, had just been released from a term in prison in this county for horse stealing, and went at once to West Virginia, swearing he would kill certain persons whom he charged with treachery to him. It is supposed that he met death at the hands of one of those mountaineers while striving to carry out his threats.

Nominations Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The senate yesterday confirmed the nominations of Secretary Fairchild, Assistant Secretary Maynard, Treasurer Hyatt, General Lawton to be minister to Austria, and Bayliss W. Hanna to be minister to the Argentine Republic, and George W Rives to be assistant secretary of state. The other nominations of cabinet officers will remain unacted upon until Mr. Lamar's nomination has been disposed of. This will not be until after the holidays.

Mr. Manning's Condition Unchanged.

ALBANY, Dec. 21.—There is no appreciable change in ex-Secretary Manning's condition last night. He passed the day quietly, but seems much exhausted and indifferent to his surroundings. He may linger for some time but the end is probably near, and it is evident that his family are prepared for it.

Secretary Endicott's Western Trip.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Dec. 21.—Secretary Endicott, Adjutant-General Drum, Colonel T. F. Barr, and Captain D. M. Taylor, the secretary's military secretary, have arrived at Fort Leavenworth. The secretary was received with a salute of seventeen guns. He is here to inspect the military prison.

A Fiendish Husband.

MAUCH CHUNK, Pa., Dec. 21.—Daniel Cherdron, a hunchback saloon keeper, threw half of a beer glass of vitriol into his wife's face Monday evening, burning her terribly. They had quarrelled last week, and he turned her out of the house. She came back to try to make a settlement when he committed the atrocious act. He was placed under arrest immediately.

Senator Riddleberger's Successor.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 21.—The assembly yesterday voted for a United States senator to succeed Riddleberger. This was the result: Senate—John S. Barbour, 26; General William Mahone, 13. House—Barbour, 61; Mahone, 36. The formal announcement of Mr. Barbour's election will be made to-day in joint session of the two houses.

Robbers Raid a Town.

SPRING CITY, Tenn., Dec. 21.—Robbers raided Rhea Springs, a small place three miles east of here, last week. Every store in the town was entered. The robbers got about $400 in money, and took considerable valuable goods. It is supposed that the thieves went from here to Memphis or Nashville.

The Strike Will Be Settled.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec 21.—The leaders of the Lehigh strikers in this section have been summoned home to Hazleton by telegraph. It is rumored that a conference is to be held to-day looking to a settlement of the strike

Ex-Congressman Caufield Dead.

DEADWOOD, Dak., Dec. 21.—Bernard C. Caulfield, ex-member of congress from the Chicago district, died here yesterday from general debility, aged 58.

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Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11 30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9 29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.30, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6 05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

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Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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They Fire Into the Vessel Sent to Keep Them in Order.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 21.—Capt. Turner of the steamer Gov. Hamilton of the oyster navy has returned here with his vessel pretty well peppered with bullets. He had been at Swan's Point, on the Chester river, to prevent dredgers pursuing their calling on this forbidden ground. A cannon had been posted there to keep the oystermen at bay. At the dead of night two dredgers sailed up, and, lowering their yawl boats, filled them with picked men. They pulled to land and captured the gun.

This led to the garrisoning of Swan's Point, when the dredgers assembled in force and determined to give battle. They were armed with rifles and spoiling for a fight. At a signal they banged away at the steamer. Fortunately no one, but the captain, pretty well scared, made haste to get away. As he steamed out the dredgers fired again, and kept on fighting the vessel until it got beyond reach. The steamer landed here this evening, and the captain proposes to lay in a stock of guns and rifles, and increase his force. Then he will return to fight the dredgers.

A MINER'S RECKLESSNESS.

He Pays for It with His Life--Miraculous Escape of 300 Others.

BYERVILLE, O., Dec. 21.—A terrific explosion occurred in the Akron mines at Trial Run Monday morning. Three hundred men were in the mine, and but for the prompt action of several cool-headed miners the fire, which started from an explosion of gas, would have enveloped the entire mine, and caused a frightful loss of life.

A Hungarian miner persisted in entering the room with his lamp burning to remove his tools when an explosion took place, instantly killing him and knocking down down every one within a radius of 300 feet.

Harry Tithers, who followed the Hungarian and attempted to bring him from the room, was knocked down and badly burned and is not expected to live.

The fire was finally gotten under control. Damage to the amount of several thousand dollars was done the mine.

Diphtheria for Man and Beast.

HAVERSTRAW, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Diphtheria is prevalent at several places in Rockland county. At Cedar Pond six deaths in six consecutive days are reported in one family.

MONTICELLO, Dec. 21.—Croup and diphtheria are raging in districts in Sullivan county.

PEEKSKILL, Dec. 21.—Several cattle have died lately in Westchester county with a disease resembling diphtheria.

The Democrats Win.

MERIDEN, Conn., Dec. 21.—In the city election yesterday Dr. C. H. S. Davis, democrat was re-elected mayor. Both branches of the city government are democratic for the first time since the incorporation of the city, twenty years ago. Davis's plurality over King, republican, is 524. The common council stands 24 democrats to 6 republicans, the latter being hold-over men.

Mexican Rebels Routed.

MATAMORAS, Mex., Dec. 21.—Sunday night a party of the adherents of Cov. Cuellar, who had been driven out of Juanamava by the government troops, were overtaken at Encinal, near the Lamaroma's hacienda by the forces of Col, Vargas and defeated. Of the fugitives, who were commanded by Blosubalt, one man was killed, one wounded and three were taken prisoners.

Petitions For Government Telegraphy.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 21.—Petitions are being circulated in this city to present a memorial to congress asking the government to assume control of the telegraph service. This is being done under the auspicies of the Knights of Labor, who are aided by the Federation of Miners. It is said that similar petitions will be gotten up throughout the state.

The Colorado Brigand Surrenders.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 21.—Newt. Vorce, the desperado, has been finally captured alive and brought to Denver and lodged in jail. The deputy sheriffs put seventeen sticks of giant powder on the roof of the dugout wherein he had taken refuge, and then set fire to a haystack near by. Before the fire got to the powder Vorce came out and surrendered unconditionally.

The Big Raft Lost.

WHITESTONE, L. I., Dec. 21.—The steamer Miranda, which had the big timber raft in tow from Two Rivers, Nova Scotia, has arrived here. She reports having lost the raft on Nantucket Shoals Sunday morning last, during a frightful gale and tremendous sea. The steamer herself was badly damaged.

An Indiana Town Destroyed.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—Cionsville, 15 miles north of this city on the "Big Four" railroad, was nearly wiped out by fire late Monday night. The fire originated in the extensive general store of W. L. Gregory, the largest establishment in town.

Bitten by a Hog and in Danger.

HUDSON, N. Y., Dec. 21.—At North Chatham, Columbia county, Farmer D. Walker, while caring for his hogs a day or two ago, was bitten by one of the vicious brutes. Mr. Walker is in a critical condition.

Two Sun Dogs Seen at Rondout.

RONDOUT, Dec. 21.—Two "sun dogs" have been seen here. An old Rondout boatman who looked at the "dogs" said they were precursors of a heavy wind and a violent snow storm.

Sporting News.

The London *Sportsman* declares that the contest between Kilrain and Smith partook more of the nature of a wrestling match than a prize fight.

Sandy McDermott, the well-known baseball umpire of the Ohio league, it is reported, took poison at Columbus, Ohio, with suicidal intent on Sunday night.

There was no great wrestling done by either Kilrain or Smith yesterday. In physical conformation they were Jack Dempsey and Johnny Reagan over again. Dempsey nearly beat Johnny to pieces with the falls he gave him, but though Jake had the best of Smith in the falls, they were not effective enough to do him up, as they should in the great number of rounds they had.

The question of the hour is can John L. Sullivan defeat Jake Kilrain in a fight under London prize ring rules. There is a wonderful unanimity of sentiment in the affirmative responses of impartial judges of pugilism. John, no doubt, will now see the necessity for training properly. What a sensation a battle between the two Bostonians, John L. and Jake will create. It will exceed in interest any contest in the annals of the ring. The only trouble is how is Sullivan to induce Kilrain to meet him before he [illegible]. If Sullivan is wise he will [illegible] postpone his fight with Charley [illegible] and meet Kilrain.

Dr. Talmage's Sermon on "Recreations Good and Bad."

Some of the Amusements He Commends—The Charms of Music, the Gymnasium, Parlor Games and Recreations, and the Pleasure of Doing Good.

Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, D. D., preached last Sunday on "Recreations Good and Bad," taking two texts: 1 Corinthians, vii. 31, "They that use this world, as not abusing it;" and Judges xvi. 25, "And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, call for Sampson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house, and he made them sport." Dr. Talmage said:

We are entering the gayest season of the year. The winter opens before us the gates of a thousand amusements, some of them good and some bad. One of my texts will show you that amusements may be destructive, my other text will show you that amusements may be under the Divine blessing and direction.

There were three thousand people assembled in temple of Dagon. They had come to make sport of eyeless Samson. They were all ready for the entertainment. They began to clap and pound, impatient for the amusement to begin, and they cried: "Fetch him out! fetch him out!" Yonder I see the blind old giant coming, led by the hand of a child into the very midst of the temple. At his first appearance there goes up a shout of laughter and derision. The blind old giant pretends he is tired, and wants to rest himself against the pillars of the house; so he says to the lad who leads him: "Show me where the main pillars are. The lad does so. Then the strong man puts his right hand on one of the pillars and his left hand on another pillar, and, with the mightiest push that mortal ever made, throws himself forward until the whole house comes down in thunderous crash, grinding the audience like grapes in a wine-press. "And so it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, 'Call for Samson, that he may make us sport.' And they called for Samson out of the prison-house; and he made them sport."

In other words: There are amusements that are destructive, and bring down disaster and death upon the heads of those who practice them. While they laugh and cheer, they die. The three thousand who perished that day in Gaza are as nothing compared with the tens of thousands who have been destroyed by sinful amusements.

But the other text I have read implies that there is a lawful use of the world as well as an unlawful abuse of it, and the difference between the man Christian and the man un-Christian is, that in the former case the man masters the world, while in the latter case the world masters him. For whom did God make this grand and beautiful world? For whom this wonderful expenditure of color, this gracefulness of line, this mosaic of the ground, this fresco of the sky, this glowing fruitage of orchard and vineyard, this full orchestra of the tempest, in which the tree branches flute, and the winds trumpet, and the thunders drum, and all the splendors of earth and sky come clashing their cymbals? For whom did God spring the arched bridge of colors resting upon buttresses of broken storm cloud? For whom did He gather the upholstery of fire around the window of the setting sun? For all men; but more especially for his own dear children.

If you build a large mansion and spread a great feast after it to celebrate the completion of the structure, do you allow strangers to come in and occupy the place while you thrust your own children in the kitchen or the barn or the fields? O, no. You say, "I am very glad to see strangers in my mansion, but my own sons and daughters shall have the first right there." Now God has built this grand mansion, of a world, and He has spread a glorious feast in it; and while those who are strangers to His grace may come in I think that God especially intends to give the advantage to his own children, those who are the sons and daughters of the Lord Almighty, those who through grace can look up and say, "Abba, Father." You can not make me believe that God gives more advantage to the world than he gives to the church, bought by his own blood. If, therefore, people of the world have looked with dolorous sympathy upon those who make profession of religion, and have said: "Those new converts are going down into privation and into hardship. Why did not they tarry a little longer in the world, and have some of the enjoyments and amusements and recreations?" I say to such men of the world, "You are greatly mistaken," and before I get through I will show that those people who stay out of the kingdom of God have the hardships and self-denials, while those who come in have the joys and the satisfactions.

This morning, in the name of the King of Heaven and earth, I serve a writ of ejectment upon all the sinful and polluted who have squatted on the domain of earthly pleasure as though it belonged to them, while I claim, in behalf of the good and the pure and the true, the eternal inheritance which God has given them.

Hitherto, Christian philanthropists, clerical and lay, have busied themselves chiefly in denouncing sinful recreations; but I feel we have no right to stand before men and women in whose hearts there is a desire for recreation amounting to positive necessity, denouncing this and that and the other thing, when we do not propose to give them something better. God helping me this morning, and with reference to my last account, I shall enter upon a sphere not usual in sermonizing, but a subject which I think ought to be presented at this time. I propose now to lay before you some of the recreations which are not only innocent, but positively helpful and advantageous.

In the first place, I commend, among indoor recreations, music, vocal and instrumental. Among the first things created was the bird, so that the earth might have music at the start. This world, which began with so sweet a serenade, is finally to be demolished amidst the ringing blast of the archangel's trumpet, so that as there was music at the start, there shall be music at the close. While this heavenly art has often been dragged into the uses of superstition and dissipation, we all know it may be the means of high moral culture. O, it is a grand thing to have our children brought up amidst the sound of cultured voices and amidst the melody of musical instruments. There is in this art an indescribable fascination for the household. Let all those families who have the means to afford it, have flute or harp, or piano or organ. As soon as the hand is large enough to compass the keys, teach it how to pick out the melody. Let all our young men try this heavenly art upon their nature. Those who have gone into it fully have found in it illimitable recreation and amusement. Dark days, stormy nights, seasons of sickness, business disasters, will do little toward depressing the soul which can gallop off over musical keys or soar in jubilant lay.

It will cure p[illegible]. It will rest fatigue. It will quicken [illegible]. It will revive health. It [illegible]. It will strengthen the [illegible] soul. In the battle of Waterloo Wellington saw that the Highlanders were falling back. He said: "What is the matter there?" He was told that the band of music had ceased playing, and he called up the pipers and ordered them to strike up an inspiring air; and no sooner did they strike the air than the Highlanders were rallied, and helped to win the day. O, ye who have been routed in the conflicts of life, try by the force of music to rally your scattered battalions.

I am glad to know that in our great cities there is hardly a night in which there are not concerts, where with the best musical instruments and the sweetest voices, people may find entertainment. Patronize such entertainments when they are afforded you. Buy season tickets, if you can, for the "Philharmonic" and the "Handel and Haydn" societies. Feel that the dollar and a half or two dollars that you spend for the purpose of hearing an artist play or sing is a profitable investment. Let your Steinway Halls and your Academy of Music roar with the acclamation of appreciative audiences assembled at the concert or the oratorio.

Still further: I commend, as worthy of their support, the gymnasium. This institution is gaining in favor every year, and I know of nothing more free from dissipation, or more calculated to recuperate the physical and mental energies. While there are a good many people who have employed this institution, there is a vast number who are ignorant of its excellence. There are men with cramped chests and weak sides and despondent spirits, who through the gymnasium, might be roused up to exuberance and exhilaration of life. There are many Christian people despondent from year to year, who might, through such an institution, be benefited in their spiritual relations. There are Christian people who seem to think that it is a good sign to be poorly; and because Richard Baxter and Robert Hall were invalids, they think that by the same sickliness they may come to the same grandeur of character. I want to tell the Christian people of my congregation that God will hold you responsible for your invalidism if it is your fault, and when through right exercise and prudence you might be athletic and well. The effects of the body upon the soul you acknowledge. Put a man of mild disposition upon the animal diet of which the Indian partakes, and in a little while his blood will change its chemical proportions. It will become like unto the blood of the lion or the tiger, or the bear, while his disposition will change, and become fierce, cruel and unrelenting. The body has a powerful effect upon the soul.

There are good people whose ideas of heaven are all shut out with clouds of tobacco smoke. There are people who dare to shatter the physical vase in which God has put the jewel of eternity. There are men with great hearts and intellects in bodies worn out by their own neglects—magnificent machinery capable of propelling a Great Eastern across the Atlantic, yet fastened in a rickety North River propeller. Martin Luther was so mighty for God, first, because he had a noble soul, and secondly, because he had a muscular development which would have enabled him to thrash any five of his persecutors, if it had been Christian so to do. Physical development which merely shows itself in fabulous lifting, or in perilous rope-walking, or in pugilistic encounter, excites only our contempt; but we confess to great admiration for the man who has a great soul in an athletic body, every nerve, muscle, and bone of which is consecrated to right uses.

O, it seems to me outrageous that men, through neglect, should allow their physical health to go down beyond repair. A ship which ought, with all sail set and every man at his post, to be carrying a rich cargo for eternity, employing all its men in stopping up leakages! When you may, through the gymnasium, work off your spleen and your querulousness and one-half of your physical and mental ailments, do not turn your back upon such a grand medicament.

Still further: I commend to you a large class of parlor games and recreations. There is a way of making our homes a hundred fold more attractive than they are now. Those parents can not expect to keep their children away from outside dissipations unless they make the domestic circle brighter than any thing they can find outside of it. Do not, then, sit in your home surly and unsympathetic, and with a half condemnatory look because of the sportfulness of your children. You were young once yourself; let your children be young. Because your eyes are dim and your ankles are stiff, do not denounce sportfulness in those upon whose eyes there is the first luster, and in whose foot there is the bounding joy of robust health. I thank God that in our drawing-rooms and in our parlors there are innumerable games and sports which have not upon them the least taint of iniquity. Light up all your homes with innocent hilarities. Do not sit down with the rheumatism, wondering how children can go on so. Rather thank God that their hearts are so light, and that their laughter is so free, and that their cheeks are so ruddy, and that their expectations are so radiant. The night will come soon enough, and the heartbreak, and the pang and the desolation—it will come soon enough for the dear children. But when the storm actually clouds the sky, it will be time enough for you to haul out your reef tackles. Carry, then, into your homes not only the innocent sports and games which are the inventions of our own day, but the games which come down with the sportfulness of all the past ages—chess and charades, and tableaux and battledore, and calisthenics and lawn-tennis, and all those amusements which the young people of our homes know so well how to contrive. Then there will be the parlor socialities—groups of people assembled in your homes, with wit and mimicry and joviality, filling the room with joy from the door to the mantel, and from the carpet to the ceiling. O, is there any exhilaration like a score of genial souls in one room, each one adding a contribution of his own individual merriment to the aggregation of general hilarity?

Suppose you want to go abroad in the city, then you will find the panorama and the art gallery, and exquisite collections of pictures. You will find the Metropolitan museum and the Historical society rooms full of rare curiosities, and scores of places which can stand plainly the test of what is right and wrong in amusements. You will find the lecturing hall, which has been honored by the names of Agassiz in natural history, Doremus in chemistry, Boynton in geology, Mitchell in astronomy, John B. Gough in moral reform, and scores and hundreds of men who have poured their wit and genius and ingenuity through that particular channel upon the hearts and consciences and imaginations of men, setting this country fifty years further in advance than it would have been without the lecture platform.

I rejoice in the popularization of outdoor sports. I hail the croquet ground and the fisherman's rod and the sportsman's gun. In our cities life is so unhealthy and unnatural that when the census-taker represents a city as having 400,000 inhabitants there are only 200,000, since it takes at least two men to amount to one man, so depleting and unnerving and exhausting is this metropolitan life. We want more fresh air, more sunlight, more of the abandon of field sports. I [illegible] for it in behalf of the church of God as well as in behalf of secular interests. I wish that this winter our ponds and our rivers and our Capitoline Grounds might be all aquake with the heel and the shout of the swift skater. I wish that when the warm weather comes the graceful oar might dip the stream, and the evening-tide be resonant with boatman's song, the bright prow splitting the crystalline billow. We shall have the smooth and grassy lawn, and we will call out people of all occupations and professions, and ask them to join in the ball player's sport. You will come back from these outdoor exercises and recreations with strength in your arm and color in your cheek, and a flash in your eye, and courage in your heart. In this great battle that is opening against the kingdom of darkness we want not only a consecrated soul, but a strong arm and stout lungs and mighty muscle. I bless God that there are so many recreations that have not on them any taint of iniquity; recreations in which we may engage for the strengthening of the body, for the clearing of the intellect, for the illumination of the soul.

There is still another form of recreation which I commend to you, and that is the pleasure of doing good. I have seen young men, weak and cross and sour and repelling in their disposition, who by one heavenly touch have wakened up and become blessed and buoyant, the ground under their feet and the sky over their heads breaking forth into music. "O," says some young man in the house to-day, "I should like that recreation above all others, but I have not the means." My dear brother, let us take an account of stock this morning. You have a large estate, if you only realize it. Two hands. Two feet. You will have, perhaps, during the next year at least ten dollars for charitable contribution. You will have twenty-five hundred cheerful looks, if you want to employ them. You will have five thousand pleasant words, if you want to speak them. Now what an amount that is to start with!

You go out to-morrow morning and you see a case of real destitution by the wayside. You give him two cents. The blind man hears the pennies rattle in his hat and he says, "Thank you, sir! God bless you." You pass down the street trying to look indifferent, but you feel from the very depth of your soul a profound satisfaction that you made that man happy. You go on still farther and find a poor boy with a wheelbarrow trying to get it up on the curbstone. He fails in the attempt. You say, "Stand back, my lad; let me try." You push it up on the curbstone for him, and pass on. He wonders who that well-dressed man was that helped him. You did a kindness to the boy, but you did a great joy to your own soul. You will not get over it all the week.

On the street, to-morrow morning, you will see a sick man passing along. "Ah," you say, "what can I do to make this man happy? He certainly does not want money; he is not poor, but he is sick." Give him one of those twenty-five hundred cheerful looks that you have garnered up for the whole year. Look joy and hopefulness into the soul. It will thrill him through, and there will be a reaction upon your own soul. Going a little farther on, you will come to the store of a friend who is embarrassed in business matters. You will go in and say, "What a fine store you have! I think business will brighten up, and you will have more custom after a while. I think there is coming a great prosperity to all the country. Good morning." You pass out.

You have helped that young man, and you have helped yourself. And that night you go home; you sit by the fire, you talk a little, you sing a little, you laugh a little; you say: "I really don't know what is the matter with me. I never felt so splendidly in my life." I will tell you what is the matter with you. You spent only two cents out of the ten dollars; you have contributed one out of twenty-five hundred cheerful looks; you have given ten, fifteen or twenty of the five thousand pleasant words you are going to speak during the year; you have with your own hands helped the boy with the wheelbarrow, and you feel in body, mind and soul the thrill of that recreation. Which do you think was the happier—Colonel Gardiner, who sat with his elbow on a table spread with all extravagant viands, looking off at a dog on the rug, saying: "How I would like to change places with him; I be the dog and he be Colonel Gardiner;" or those two Moravian missionaries who wanted to go into the lazaretto for the sake of attending the sick, and they were told: "If you go in there you will never come out. We never allow any one to come out, for he would bring the contagion." Then they made their wills and went in, first to help the sick and then to die. Which was the happier, Colonel Gardiner, or the Moravian missionaries dying for others? Was it all sacrifice when the missionaries wanted to bring the gospel to the negroes at the Barbadoes, and, being denied the privilege, sold themselves into slavery, standing side by side, and lying side by side down in the very ditch of suffering, in order that they might bring those men up to life and God and Heaven? O, there is a thrill in the joy of doing good! It is the most magnificent recreation to which a man ever puts his hand, or his head, or his heart.

But, before closing, I want to impress upon you that mere secular entertainments are not a fit foundation for your soul to build on.

I was reading of a woman who had gone all the rounds of sinful amusement, and she came to die. She said, "I will die to-night at six o'clock." "O," they said, "I guess not, you don't seem to be sick." "I shall die at six o'clock, and my soul will be lost. I know it will be lost. I have sinned away my day of grace." The noon came. They desired her to seek religious counsel.

"O," she said, "it is of no use. My day is gone. I have been all the rounds of worldly pleasure, and it is too late. I shall die to-night at six o'clock." The day wore away, and it came to four o'clock, and to five o'clock, and she cried out at five o'clock: "Destroyed spirits, ye shall not have me yet; it is not six, it is not six!" The moments went by, and the shadows began to gather, and the clock struck six; and while it was striking her soul went. What hour God will call for us I do not know—whether six o'clock to-night, or three o'clock this afternoon, or at one o'clock, or at this moment. Sitting where you are, falling forward, or standing where you are, dropping down, where would you go to?

But our hour for adjourning has already come, and the last hour of our life will soon be here, and from that hour we will review this day's proceedings. It will be a solemn hour. If from our death-pillow we have to look back and see a life spent in sinful amusement, there will be a dart that will strike through our soul sharper than the dagger with which Virginius slew his child. The memory of the past will make us quake like Macbeth. The iniquities and rioting through which we have passed will come upon us, weird and skeleton, as Meg Merrilles. Death, the old Shylock, will demand, and take, the remaining pound of flesh and the remaining drop of blood; and upon our last [illegible] for repentance, and our last [illegible] heaven, the curtain will forever [illegible].

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BY THE WAY.

—The toboggan slide will be open this evening.

—Today begins the Holiday vacation for the private school pupils, and lasts for two weeks.

—The event of the Holidays will be the reopening of The Crescent as a rink, next Monday afternoon and evening.

—Plainfield Lodge No. 44, I. O. O. F. will hold their semi-annual election of officers at their hall next Monday evening. All the brethren are urged to be present.

—Mr. George Moore, the North avenue butcher, will furnish, free of cost, a Sunday morning breakfast to any and all who will call at his place of business on Saturday after one p. m.

Upon a stool in backwood school, a pedagogue, whom riot frets,
For silly pranks and willful cranks from time to time to time the children sets,
But "Children's sets" more worth your view
You'll find at 3 Park avenue.

—The Central New Jersey Land Improvement Company has donated to the Board of Education a plot of ground near Grant avenue, for the erection of a school building. Mr. W. C. Ayers, the Company's agent, will accompany the Board to the spot on Christmas afternoon, and if the location is a desirable one the Board will probably accept it. One of the members of the Board expresses himself in favor of erecting a building sufficiently large enough to accommodate six hundred scholars.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

—"Speaking of women" in your sleep is a very dangerous practice. It is apt to create a disturbance.

Business at the Post Office is rushing. It requires the strictest attention of the six clerks employed to attend to the demands of the public in forwarding and receiving their Christmas presents.

The Governor of the State having been invited by the Committee to be present at the opening of the Plainfield Art Gallery Loan Exhibition, Tuesday evening, sent his regrets on account of sickness.

At the funeral services, yesterday afternoon, over the remains of the late Charles Van Slyck, the Rev. Mr. Richards assisted the Rev. Mr. Ketcham. A quartette composed of the Misses Addie and Emma McGee, and Messrs. Elmer Runyon and Everitt Burr, sang "Nearer My God to Thee," and "One Sweetly Solemn Thought."

At her home on Woodland avenue, about ten o'clock this morning, there passed away the estimable wife of Mr. Wilton Randolph, the Democratic Councilman-elect from the Second ward. The deceased, whose death was sudden and unexpected, was out riding yesterday. During last evening she was taken with a congestive chill, and her condition grew worse, until this morning, when death resulted.

Tuesday evening from eight to eleven o'clock, was the second "at home" reception tendered by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Titsworth—*nee* Miss Frances Van Hoesen—at their residence on West Seventh street, to a house full of guests. The bride was dressed elegantly in white *moire*, with pearl ornaments. The presents displayed were unusually valuable. Miss Florence Potter, Miss Jessie Utter and Mrs. J. G. Miller, were the hostesses of the dining room.

Mason J. Leland, son of Mr. Benj. M. Leland of Leland avenue, died at 6:30 o'clock, last evening, at the residence of his father-in-law, James H. Thomas, Esq., of Union avenue. The deceased had been living in Chicago until last April when his failing health compelled him to give up all business there. With his wife and three children that survive him, he has been staying ever since at the home of Mrs. Leland's parents. His death is a glad release from the continued sufferings of consumption that the deceased has endured for months past.

NOTES OF THE EXHIBITION.

Some of the Works of Art Loaned the Public Gallery.

The loan collection of paintings, statuary, bronzes, porcelains and cloisonne enamels—of which we spoke at some length in yesterday's issue of THE PRESS—is now thrown open to public exhibition for the rest of the present month, from 10 a. m., to 4 p. m., and from 7 to 10 p. m., of each day. The price of admission is but twenty-five cents, and with a catalogue at fifteen the visitor can get more solid enjoyment and information for forty cents than anywhere else we know of.

Yesterday in these columns were specially mentioned a few of the art objects, and today we speak in particular of others. In general we also give below the full list of paintings and other pieces loaned for the occasion, outside of the Schoonmaker Collection. Thus a daily perusal of these columns is a liberal education that fits the reader for a visit to the Loan Exhibition knowing something about whatever is seen.

No. 94 in the main gallery, just as you enter, is a bronze equestrian statue, standing on a pedestal. It is one of the gems of the exhibition as many connoisseurs have pronounced it the only perfect horse in the World. In competition for a prize of $5,000 offered by the State of Virginia, Mr. D. B. Sheahan modelled that horse in clay and it was selected unanimously by the judges over those of Ward and other sculptors of international reputation. But Mr. Sheahan refused the prize, rather than part with his model. The owner of the bronze model exhibited, Mr. F. X. Schoonmaker, had it cast from six hundred dollars in copper cents. All this makes No. 94 an interesting object.

No. 92 is a life-size cast in bronze of the artist's baby girl, as she runs about the room after her bath, keeping well out of mother's reach and playfully but utterly refusing to don her gown and go to bed. Papa's watch is given the little one to coax obedience, and the artist has caught the babe just as the ticking arrests her attention. She has stopped suddenly, with breath held and excitement suppressed for an instant. But all this and more can be read in the pose and modelling of the piece. Even a little dimpled hand uplifted, seems to say "Oh! Gayshus!"

We have only given below the works loaned—besides which there are a large number of valuable ones belonging to the Gallery.

OIL PAINTINGS.

1. Fishing Boats—Geo. Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
2. Brittany Fisherwoman—Geo. Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
4. Brittany Crabbers—Geo. Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
5. Fisher Boy, (Study)—Geo. Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
6. Pont des Arts, (Paris)—Geo. Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
7. Scene in Algiers—Reg. Rignault. Loaned by J. M. Martin.
8. Sheep: a study—Geo. Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
9. The Whistling Buoy—Geo. Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
10. Street in Paris—Geo. Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
14. Madame Necker—Duplessis. Loaned by Mrs. Aborn.
15. Game of "Freeze-Out"—Julian Scott, A. N. A. Loaned by Col. John F. Wilson.
16. Death of Gen. Sedgwick—Julian Scott, A. N. A. Loaned by the artist.
18. On Picket—Julian Scott, A. N. A. Loaned by Geo. H. Babcock.
19. Still Life—Mrs. Van Arsdale. Loaned by the artist.
20. Peonies—Mrs. Van Arsdale. Loaned by the artist.
21. Landscape and Cattle—Roose de Tivoli. Loaned by J. W. Moore.
22. Golden Rod—Mrs. Van Arsdale. Loaned by the artist.
25. Gypsy Fortune-teller—Wm. Morgan, A. N. A. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
27. Portrait of "Mr. Crowley"—James H. Beard, N. A. Loaned by the artist.
28. Landscape—John Pope, N. A. Dec'd. Loaned by Charles Potter.
29. Autumn on the Hudson—J. F. Cropsey, N. A. Loaned by Mrs. A. C. Baldwin.
30. Fire at London, 1669—Nicholas Bauer. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
31. "Driving Geese to Water"—Adolph Linz. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
35. Daniel Webster—Loaned by H. P. Reynolds.
38. Portrait—Julian Scott, A. N. A. Loaned by Mrs. L. Adams.
39. Chenango River—D. Huntington, N. A. Loaned by J. W. Moore.
41. Yellow Roses—Mrs. Van Arsdale. Loaned by the artist.
42. Hayricks, Closter, N. J.—Mrs. Van Arsdale. Loaned by the artist.
43. Mississippi Flood—Jas. H. Beard, N. A. Loaned by the artist.
44. Chestnut Grove—Rudell. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
47. Lake Tahoe—Susan E. Sroufe. Loaned by the artist.
49. "He Loves Me, He Loves Me Not"—Wm. Morgan, A. N. A. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
51. Grapes—Geo. Henry Hall, N. A. Loaned by Geo. H. Babcock.
53. Merry-making in Flanders—After Teniers. Loaned by J. W. Moore.
54. "Look, Mamma!"—A. Laux. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
55. "Rabbit"—D. F. Hasbrouck. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
56. Old Friends—Mrs. W. H. Griffin. Loaned by the artist.
57. Scene in Morristown, N. J—G. H. McCord, A. N. A. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
58. The Life-Boat—H. Chase, A. N. A. Loaned by James Clark.
60. Nightfall on Brooklyn Bridge—Geo. Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
63. "Patridge"—D. F. Hasbrouck. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
64. Driving Out the Fold—Otto Gebter, Munich. Loaned by Jas. Clark.
65. Raspberries—Geo. Henry Hall, N. A. Loaned by Geo. H. Babcock.
66. "Cowbells"—D. F. Hasbrouck. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
68. Escaped Prisoners—Julian Scott, A. N. A. Loaned by Hon. Jacob Kirkner.
69. Portrait—John Wesley Jarvis, N. A., dec'd. Loaned by Mrs. W. C. Butler.
70. The Tryst at the Well—Wm. Morgan, A. N. A. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
71. Mt. Jefferson—David Johnson, N. A. Loaned by J. W. Moore.
73. The Swiss Alps—C. Troyon. Loaned by T. T. Kinney of Newark.
75. Sports of Cupid—N. Diaz. Loaned by T. T. Kinney of Newark.
76. Haarlem Fisher Boy—Chas. Felu, Antwerp. Loaned by Geo. H. Babcock.
77. Waterfall near Tivoli—J. F. Kensett, N. A., dec'd. Loaned by C. W. McCutcheon.
78. The Fisherman—Winslow Homer, N. A. Loaned by B. M. Day.
79. Portrait—J. Wesley Jarvis, N. A., dec'd. Loaned by Mrs. W. C. Butler.
80. The Blue and the Gray—Julian Scott, A. N. A. Loaned by Chas. Potter.
81. Portrait—Mrs. Jennie S. Loop. Loaned by C. W. McCutcheon.
82. An Afternoon—H. P. Smith. Loaned by B. M. Day.
83. Portrait—Nicholas Maes [1675]. Loaned by Mrs. Aborn.
84. Portrait of Job Male—Loaned by Hon. Job Male.
85. Screen—Mrs. Van Arsdale. Loaned by the artist.
86. Screen—Mrs. W. H. Griffin. Loaned by the artist.

WATER COLOR, BLACK AND WHITE ETC.

100. John Paul Jones—Carl Guttenberg. Loaned by Julian Scott.
101. Portrait in Crayon—S. E. Flower. Loaned by the artist.
102. Study of Hands—Unknown. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
103. Hermes—Jessie M. Utter. Loaned by the artist.
105. The Burgomaster—A. Romhard. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
106. Kraalinchéveer, Holland—George Wharton Edwards. Loaned by the artist.
108. Ready for the Ball—Daudin. Paris. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
109. Summer Afternoon—A. F. Bellows, N. A., dec'd. Loaned by James Clark.
110. The Sentinel—Julian Scott, A. N. A. Loaned by the artist.
111. The Connoisseur—G. Guardabask. Loaned by James Clark.
112. In Evening Dress—Daudin. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
113. The Artist—Elliott Dangerfield. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
114. Alpine Scene—Jules Golse. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
115. Roman Mother—Unknown. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
116. Scene in England—W. Gallon. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
117. Landscape—W. Pye. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
118. Continental Soldier—Julian Scott, A. N. A. Loaned by the artist.
119. An Autumn Pastoral—W. Hamilton Gibson. Loaned by the artist.
120. On the Tiber, Rome—Unknown. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
121. Indian Summer Afternoon. W. Hamilton Gibson. Loaned by the artist.
122. The Japanese Doll—Daudin. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
123. The Blonde—Daudin. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
124. Returning from the Hayfield—Daudin. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
125. October Afternoon—W. Hamilton Gibson. Loaned by the artist.
126. The Forum, Rome—Unknown. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
127. A Morning Landscape—W. Hamilton Gibson. Loaned by the artist.
128. The Pet Parrot—Daudin. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
129. The Brunette—Daudin. Loaned by F. X Schoonmaker.
130. Feeding the Birds—Julian Scott, A. N. A. Loaned by the artist.
131. Low Tide at Scheveningen—T. B. Hardy. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
133. A Winter Sunset—J. Owen. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
135. Christmas Bells—W. Hamilton Gibson. Loaned by the artist.
136. Niagara Falls—Fred'k E. Church. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
139. Etching—S. E. Pierce. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
140. Etching—G. D. Clements. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
141. Duke of Wellington—Marshall. Loaned by Hugh M. Gillighan.
142. Portrait in Crayon—S. E. Flower. Loaned by the artist.
143. The Holy Family—Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.
144. A Nibble—G. H. McCord. Loaned by A. C. Baldwin.

STATUARY AND BRONZES.

89. Falconer of XV. Century—Terville Yaan. Loaned by Mrs. Jas. Clark.
92. Papa's Watch (Bronze)—D. B. Sheahan. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
93. Incense Burner—Old Japanese Bronze. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
94. Gen. R. E. Lee—D. B. Sheahan. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.
97. Temple Lamp—Old Japanese Bronze. Loaned by F. X. Schoonmaker.

Meeting of the Board of Education.

The members of the Board of Education met in special session in the Franklin school building on West Fourth street, last evening, with the following members present: Messrs. Jacob Kirkner, Louis F. Wadsworth, John W. Murray, Rev. J. L. Hurlbut and George H. Babcock, the newly-elected member. The Board proceeded at once to organize for the ensuing year, by electing the following officers:

President—Jacob Kirkner.

Secretary—Judge L. F. Wadsworth.

The Committees on Finance, Auditing, etc., will be announced at the next meeting. Each of the members, outside of the President, was assigned a school, and will have the entire supervision and control of said school. The assignments are as follows: Bryant School, Rev. Dr. Hurlbut; Stillman school, John W. Murray; Franklin school, Judge L. F. Wadsworth; Washington school, Geo. H. Babcock.

A communication was received from City Clerk O. B. Leonard, giving official notice of the acceptance by the City of Plainfield of the provisions of the act authorizing the increase in taxation for school purposes. Bills for salaries, etc., were ordered paid, and some other business of a routine nature was transacted.

The Board resolved to at once take the preliminary steps towards the erection of a new school building in the Southwestern section of the city, which has become necessary on account of the rapid increase in the population. Christmas afternoon was decided upon as the time when the Board will make a tour of inspection, and locate a suitable place for erection of the school.

The meeting then adjourned.

Somerset County Courts.

The December term of the Somerset Courts opened at Somerville on Tuesday morning, Judge Magie presiding, Law Judge Bartine and Lay Judges Thompson and Jameson on the bench. The list of Grand Jurors was called as follows:

Charles Matthews (Foreman), Isaac Voorhees, George Ballentine, Henry Ludlow, John A. Whitenack, Daniel H. Powelson, Samuel S. Voorhees, Matthew H. VanDerveer, Alexander G. Anderson, Wm. W. Smalley, Chas. B. Hedden, Jacob P. Voorhees, John N. Yawger, Isaac I. Voorhees, Chas. N. Hoagland, Thomas Cooper, John S. Corle, Garret V. Van Doren, C. C. Polhemus, Jacob S. Hoagland, Jacob M. Vreeland, Isaac Brokaw, Joel Codington, Israel J. Coon.

C. C. Polhemus and Israel J. Coon failed to answer. Those present were sworn. The charge of the Court was brief, congratulating the jury on the few matters to come before it and the comparative triviality of the cases.

A few minor cases were disposed of, after which the petit jurors were excused till 10 a. m., Tuesday, Dec. 27, when the criminal list will be taken up. Justices' appeals were set for a hearing Thursday, Dec. 29.

The Grand Jury came in at 4 p. m., and presented seven bills. They were then discharged, with the thanks of the Court.

Christmas Music.

The following is the special programme of music that will be rendered in the Congregational church, Sunday morning, by a quartette composed of Mrs. Samuel Collins, Miss Julia Ketcham, and Messrs. E. E. and F. W. Runyon.

"Hark, What Mean Those Holy Voices?" [Gounod.
Gloria in Excelsis, in E flat.....Fred. Schilling.
Te Deum Laudamus, in A.....Fay.
Anthem, in F—"There were Shepherds" [Holden.
Anthem—"Let Your Mingling Voices Rise" [Holden.

Westfield's Masonic Officers.

At a regular communication of Atlas Lodge No. 125, F. and A. M., of Westfield, N. J., held on Monday evening, December 19th, 1887, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. M.—Chas. Haberle.
S. W.—Wm. W. Gilby.
J. W.—John O. Bienis.
Treasurer—Chas. H. French.
Secretary—Eb Hart.
Trustee—Jos. B. Connoly.
Proxy to Grand Lodge—Addison S. Clark.

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WESTFIELD'S SENSATION.

Another Step Toward Ventilating the Roll-Woodruff Scandal—The Citizens Indignant—Tar and Feathers Threatened—The Accused Held For the Grand Jury—His Statement.

The pretty little town of Westfield was in a State of excitement when a PRESS reporter alighted from a train at the depot there, yesterday afternoon. On the streets and in shops, small groups of men stood discussing but one subject—the Roll-Woodruff scandal—which has been the principle food for gossip among the residents, since James Roll was arrested on Friday last, upon a warrant issued by Justice Mohr of Elizabeth, for an alleged assault upon his wife Sarah A. Roll, as told in THE PRESS of Monday last. The time for the preliminary examination was set down for yesterday afternoon at two o'clock, but at that time a telegram was received from Prosecutor Wilson, who was to conduct the prosecution, stating that he was engaged on a case at Elizabeth, and could not possibly reach Westfield before three o'clock, and at his request Justice Jaques adjourned the hearing until that hour. A PRESS representative was introduced to Justice Jaques, who by the way is an affable conversationalist, and was by him shown a copy of the complaint. In it Mrs. Roll alleges that on the 15th instant, James Roll, her husband, did cruelly beat and ill treat her, and prayed that the said James Roll may be apprehended and made to answer to the charge. Roll, and his alleged love, drove up in front of the Westfield Hotel about two o'clock, and the woman, scarcely eighteen years of age, was quickly ushered into the building. She did not again make her appearance during the afternoon. Roll soon mingled in with the crowd about Justice Jaques' office, and talked freely of the matter. A group of strong and sturdy men, a few yards distant, were at the same time seriously considering the matter of treating the brute to a coat of tar and feathers. At three o'clock all adjourned to the Town Rooms, expecting to hear some spicy developments brought out. No boys were admitted to the room. After another long wait John T. Dunn, Esq., of Elizabeth, on behalf of the accused asked for a dismissal of the case on the ground that the complainant was not present to sustain the charge. Meantime a hackman who had been sent to bring Mrs. Roll into court, returned and announced that she was restrained from coming. Prosecutor Wilson asked for an adjournment, on the ground that the defendant had placed a man and woman in his house to restrain Mrs. Roll from taking the child out, and that the mother could not leave the child at home. An argument between Counsel occupied half an hour, during which Mr. Dunn declared that there was something ulterior besides the charge of simple assault, out of which certain lawyers were seeking to bring about a family scandal and manufacture through the newspapers and otherwise sufficient evidence to institute proceeding for a divorce. Prosecutor Wilson replied that the matter was a State offence, and in order to avoid any family scandal he had positively refused any outside lawyer to come in and try the case; the only question was: Did Roll assault his wife, so that she was obliged to seek protection from the neighbors; no matter whether or not the accused has a dozen loves or a dozen illegitimate children, no interloper has any right to be in the wife's home; the State stands ready to prove that the complainant was restrained of her liberty and could not be present to testify. At 4:45 p. m. the argument was abruptly ended, when Mrs. Roll, the complainant entered the room, which was by this time densely filled with men. Prosecutor Wilson said, addressing Justice Jaques, "We are ready to go on with the case." Justice Jaques, in his usual dignified manner presided.

Mrs. Sarah A. Roll, aged 36 years, the complainant, was the first witness sworn. She testified to having been married 17 years, and to having two children, Eva, aged eleven years and Walter, aged five; her testimony was mainly to the effect that her husband persisted in bringing Elizabeth Woodruff into the house, and to his bursting in the door and assaulting her on the day named in the complaint and to driving her from home. She bore evidence of the struggle, which she exhibited in Court on Saturday, two days afterward. She returned to her children, and found Elizabeth Woodruff still in the house. During the struggle the witness said her husband remarked in an excited manner: "Damn you, I'll give you law." On cross-examination she said she did not refuse her husband admission to the house, but simply told him he must not bring "that huzzy" in—meaning Elizabeth Woodruff.

Mary E. Hitchcock, a comely young woman, was next called and testified to hearing the fracas; she heard smothered screams in the house, and heard Mrs. Roll cry "Murder" three times. She corroborated the plaintiff as to the extent of the injuries inflicted.

Mary Roll, a sister-in-law of the accused, next took the stand. Her testimony was substantially as above, and nothing important was brought out on cross-examination. Here the Prosecutor rested his case.

Mrs. Roll was recalled by the defence, and said, referring to the oath made by her husband, that he seemed to know she had consulted a lawer, with reference to ejecting Elizabeth Woodruff.

Prosecutor Wilson said, concerning the seriousness of the charge, he should ask that bail be fixed at $500, freeholder security, the same to be sworn in. Squire Jaques said: "I shall hold the defendant for the Court below to adjudicate upon, and fix bail in the sum of $200." Isaac K. Lawrence became his bondsman in that amount. Mrs. Roll refused to go home after the examination, claiming that her life was in danger. She and her child were driven to her father's residence where they will remain for the present, and an effort will be made to get possession of the other child.

ROLL MAKES A STATEMENT.

James Roll, the defendant in the case, is 41 years of age; he resides on the road leading from Plainfield to Springfield, about two miles from Westfield, and owns a farm worth in the neighborhood of $6,000. He is a man small in statue and sports a sandy moustache and galways. In appearance he is anything but prepossessing, and a good sized school boy would be ashamed of himself if he could not thrash him. To a PRESS reporter he dictated the following statement:

"I was first notified that legal proceedings were instituted against me by Mr. E. S. Atwater at Elizabeth to the effect that my wife had called on him (several weeks before) and stated her grievances with reference to Elizabeth Woodruff stopping at my house. I called on him and explained matters, stating that the young woman was my cousin, and had been engaged to do my housework, as my wife had refused to do it. I said I must have somebody to do my work. Mr. Atwater said: 'Your wife will do the work.' I told him I did not believe it, as she had shown no disposition to so do. I stated my case to Mr. Atwater and he said he was glad that I had called; after I related my story he promised to see my wife and tell her what a wife's duty consisted of. After he saw my wife, he sent for me again. On four occasions I called on him, each time at his request; on one occasion Mr. Atwater asked me how much I would give my wife for an allowance; I said 'nothing'; later on he said, 'I see you won't settle, so we will have to proceed;' I took it for granted that divorce proceedings were about to be instituted, and said: 'If you think you have good grounds for a divorce, go ahead. I have always supported my wife, and always will, so long as she does as a wife should.'"

JAMES ROLL.

The defendant told the reporter that he would send the Woodruff woman away to-morrow, if it was not for the fact that he was being driven to it. He claimed that his wife is trying to get a limited divorce. On the other hand the citizens of Westfield are very indignant over Roll's actions with the Woodruff woman, to whom he is very attentive, oftentimes taking her carriage riding. If, however, he is guilty of the assault, as charged, there is no doubt that Prosecutor Wilson will see that he gets his just deserts in the higher Courts.

Valuable Talks.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather a large gathering of young men assembled in the Y. M. C. A. Rooms, Tuesday evening. As announced Mr. C. W. McCutchen of the Board of Directors of the Association delivered an interesting and instructive talk on the topic "How Can I Succeed in Business?" The interest felt and the illustrative power of the speaker was made manifest by the marked attention of the young men present. The *Y. M. C. A. Bulletin* will contain quite a full account of the subject matter of the address. There can be no question as to the value of these practical talks as given by men of knowledge and experience in forming the character of our young men.

Y. M. C. A. Lecture To-night.

The Yosemite and the Yellowstone, the last of the Ragan Illustrated Lectures, will be given at Music Hall this evening. The lecturer will give a glance at the Golden Gate, San Francisco, and various points of interest in this magnificent region. All should avail themselves of this opportunity. Admission fifty cents. Reserved seats seventy-five cents.

—It is useless to take a criminal to jail having the symptoms of small-pox, he is almost sure to break out.

—Everybody is looking forward to the reopening of The Crescent for roller skating and band concert, next Monday afternoon and evening.

—The first hotel in this city to be lighted by electricity is Force's Hotel, Nos. 5, 7 and 9 North avenue. The Plainfield Electric Light Company have just completed wiring this popular house for their incandescent light, which is a great improvement.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS

A BREEZE IN THE SENATE OVER THE HOLIDAY RECESS.

The Adjournment Resolution is Finally Concurred in--Partial Report of the House Committee Adopted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—In the senate yesterday the following appointments were announced by the presiding officer

Mr. Hawley, as director of Columbia deaf and dumb institution.

Mr. Davis as consulting trustee of the reform school of the District of Columbia, and Mr. Blackburn as director of the Columbia hospital for women.

Mr. Morgan, from the committee on foreign relations, reported a resolution directing the secretary of state to furnish copies of all correspondence with the Mexico since January, 1886, respecting the Weil and La Abra claims; also, to state the amount distributed, the amount undistributed and the reasons for withholding the same, etc. Adopted

Mr. Cockrell offered a resolution, which was adopted, directing the fish commission to report what measures have been taken for the selection of a site for a fish culture station in the Ozark region of Southwestern Missouri.

Mr. Spooner offered a resolution, which was adopted, instructing the committee on privileges and elections to inquire into the expediency of the adoption by the senate, for the guidance of the executives of the several states, a form of credentials of the election of United States senators.

The resolution offerred yesterday by Mr. Butler for the appointment of a select committee of five to investigate the condition the five civilized tribes of Indians was taken up and adopted.

The resolution offered by Mr. Beck on the 19th inst. directing the postoffice committee to inquire into the advisability of reducing the rate of letter postage to one cent was taken up and referred to that committee.

Mr. Daws called up the bill to amend the law concerning the commission of fish and fisheries and moved it be passed.

It provides for the appointment by the president, with the advice and consent of the senate, of a person of scientific and practical acquaintance with fish and fisheries, as commissioner, at a salary of $5,000; such person not to hold any other United States or state office.

A motion by Mr. Reagan to reduce the salary to $3,000 was rejected and the bill was passed.

The holiday adjournment resolution came up and Mr. Plumb objected to the adjournment on the ground that congress should remain at work. He said that the president had called attention to the necessity for congressional action, although it must be generally recognized that the president, and not congress, is responsible for the financial condition of which it complains.

Mr. Beck replied at length in defense of the financial policy of the administration, and was severely catechised by republican senators.

Mr. Dolph took the floor to argue that large appropriations for internal improvements were the proper means of reducing the surplus,

At 2 o'clock the Blair educational bill came up, but was laid aside to allow Mr. Dolph to continue his remarks.

Mr. Vest followed in defense of the administration, and his remarks called forth further speeches by Messrs. Plumb, Teller and others.

Mr. Butler expressed contempt for the disgusting spectacle which the senate was presenting—for the affectation and hypocrisy exhibited yesterday. There was not a senator who did not know that all that was said about the senator remaining in session was absolute bosh and hypocrisy. It was the idlest, flimsiest, shallowest hypocrisy he had ever witnessed.

Mr. Plumb resented the position of public censor assumed by the senator from South Carolina.

Mr. Sherman agreed with Mr. Butler that it was hardly worth while for the senate to deny the house the usual privilege of a holiday adjournment, but he did not agree with him as to the character of yesterday's debate.

After further discussion, the resolution was concurred in—yeas, 37; nays, 19.

The Blair educational bill was taken up as the unfinished business, and then on motion of Mr. Sherman at 4:35 the senate proceeded to executive business, and in half an hour afterward adjourned.

House of Representatives.

Mr. Randall, from the committee on rules, submitted a partial report.

The report recommends the adoption of the rules of the Forty-ninth Congress until further order, with the following changes:

The membership of the committee on the library is increased to five.

A standing committee is established, to consist of thirteen members, to be known as the committee on merchant marine and fisheries.

The addition of a representation of a delegate on the committee on private land claims is recommended.

Private bills are to be presented through the clerk and given proper reference by that officer. An improper reference of a bill does not confer any jurisdiction over the subject matter of the bill, but an appropriate reference will be made by the direction of the speaker. Any private bill whose contents are found to be insulting or obscene will be returned to the member presenting it, and will not be referred.

Hereafter there will be printed only 500 copies of each bill of a public nature introduced, and 100 copies of each private bill presented to the clerk for reference.

King's Latest Air Voyage.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 22.—Prof. King, the aeronaut, made an ascension in his balcon, "Eyrie," from here yesterday. The balloon took a northeasterly course landing nine miles east of Aiken, S. C., twenty-seven miles from here. Mrs. Sleeper, of Washington, accompanied the professor on his voyage.

Meeting of Jockey Clubs.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 22.—The Twin City Jockey club, of St. Paul and Minneapolis, will meet on January 10 to arrange for the first meeting on the new track. The members of the club are highly pleased at their formal recognition by the American Turf Congress at Cincinnati.

Fruitgrowers to Organize.

NEW PLATZ, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Fruitgrowers will meet in convention here on January 9, and a project will be discussed of forming a union of fruitgrowers along the Hudson valley, where the business of growing small fruits has assumed large proportions.

Taken to the Asylum.

COXSACKIE, N. Y., Dec. 22.—B. Flower, of this village, has been taken to an insane asylum, a raving maniac, after having tried to kill his wife with a saw, brained three children with an axe and then attempted to drown himself in the Hudson River.

ELEVEN MEN LOST AT SEA.

A Steamer Burns to the Water's Edge and Only Eight Rescued.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—The freight steamer San Vincente, plying between this city and Santa Cruz, took fire Wednesday night off Pigeon Point, about forty miles south of the Golden Geat, and burned to the water's edge. The crew consisted of nineteen officers and men. The burning vessel was sighted by the Pacific coast steamship company's steamer Queen of the Pacific, which was bound from San Diego to this port. Several boats were lowered and went to the rescue of the San Vincente's crew. Captain Charles Lewis and the second mate were found on the deck of the steamer preparing to jump into the sea, as the flames were rapidly surrounding them. The first mate and four sailors were found drifting in a small boat in which they had escaped, and another sailor was discovered clinging to the bottom of an upturned boat.

These men were all rescued and taken on board the Queen of the Pacific. Several of them had suffered severely from exposure, and one of the sailors died in a few hours. No trace could be found of the other eleven men who composed the crew, and it is supposed they were all lost. Capt. Lewis stated that when the fire was discovered the men became panic-stricken. Most of them jumped into one of the boats, and before it could be lowered the tackle which held it burned away and the boat fell, throwing the men into the water. The San Vincente was a small steamer owned by the Pacific Coast Steamship company, and was valued at $30,000.

Disastrous Effects of a Kiss.

LYONS, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Jennie Walker of Ontario, this county, has commenced action against Daniel Elman, one of the most prominent men in that place, for damages to the amount of $2,000 for kissing her on the left cheek last September. She alleges that Elman came into her house on business with her husband, and when the husband went out of the room for a moment he suddenly leaned over and kissed her, whereby she was thrown into nervous prostration, and because of the shock at Elman's hasty act she was physically incapacitated from household duties for several weeks. Elman admits that he kissed her, but he says he has regarded her as his child, and his act was only one of affection for her. He will defend the suit until the very last.

Five Female Voters Indicted.

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The grand jury in session arose yesterday and presented five indictments against as many ladies who voted at the recent state and county election. Mrs. Martha Lane, Mrs. Matilda Fox, Mrs. Nancy McCollum and Miss Carrie McCollum were arraigned separately, and each interposed a demurrer to the indictment. The counsel for the ladies is Hon. John E. Pound, who helped prosecute Susan B. Anthony in Rochester some time since. The announcement of the action of the grand jury created no little excitement, and the result is anxiously looked forward to. The ladies were all earnest prohibition workers and voted the straight prohibition ticket.

The Silk Robbers Caught.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Inspector Byrnes has succeeded in running in the thieves who got $15,000 worth of silk from the New York custom house. The prisoners are Andy Roberts, 50 years old, a well-known bond and check forger, who refused his residence and particulars of pedigree, but who is extensively recorded in the police blotters and histories of crime: Michael O'Brien, 45 years old, a general thief of whom the police speak slightly, and who in this case was the go-between, and George Williams, has worked as a clerk, porter, and truckman for several firms, and several times has got into trouble by changing bills and receipts.

Devoured by Wolves.

L'ANSE, Mich., Dec. 22.—Word comes to this place that ten days ago several Italians at Reil's headquarters, on the line of the new railroad, became so dis[illegible]ch "blacklegs" that they left the camp, trying to reach the completed road and get out of the country. At the first camp they made two of them died and were placed outside the house to be buried in the morning. When morning came the bodies were missing, and signs showed that they had been eaten by wolves, as the snow was covered with blood.

Buried Treasure.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 22.—There is considerable excitement in Franklin, Venango county, over a letter to the postmaster from a resident of Marion, Clearfield county. The letter states that at the time of a battle near the old Franklin Fort, over a century ago, Silas Savage, a half brother of the writer's grandfather, buried an iron chest containing $7,000 in gold and silver coins. Considerable excavation was made in Franklin last summer and a renewal of operations is now expected.

The Cases Against Mrs. Robinson.

BOSTON, Dec. 21.—Counsel for Mrs. Sarah J. Robinson, the alleged Somerville poisoner, have consulted with the attorney-general, and desire that the trial of Mrs. Robinson on the charge of causing the death of her brother-in-law, Prince Arthur Freeman, by poison, be tried at once. The attorney-general is in favor of next April There will probably be no further trial on the indictment upon which the recent trial was had.

Tainted Meat and Rye for Coffee.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 22.—The state prison investigation is in progress here. The complainants gave resumed their testimony. Ex-prisoners and ex-officers have sworn to insufficient heat during winter, poor clothing of prisoners, tainted meat for food and rough handling of prisoners by the wardens. One ex-officer testified that the coffee served was made of burned rye, burned brown bread and molasses and water.

Life Sentences for Bay Burglars.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 22.—Judge Norton has just sentenced two juvenile colored burglars of Camden to life imprisonment at hard labor in the state penitentiary. The boys are respectively 10 and 13 years of age. They broke a lock and entered a house in the night time to rob. The law required such a sentence. The governor will be appealed to for mercy.

The Western Union Sued for Back Taxes.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Attorney General Waterman has brought suits in the supreme court in behalf of the state against the Western Union Telegraph company for back taxes amounting to $29,500.

Uneasiness Caused by Cheap Leather.

ITHACA, Dec. 22.—Ex-Senator E. S. Estey, proprietor of several big tanneries in this country, said that unless there was a change in the market, which did not appear probable, he would be obliged to shut down work in three tanneries.

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Boardman, Miss E H	Lancht, Miss M
Baker, Miss S Louise	Lothrop, Miss
Berley Miss Anna (2)	Martin, Mrs Elizabeth
Bradley, Geo W	Mayhan, H D
Clasek, Oliver G H	Norton, S S
Culvan. Miss Alice	Nedham, John
Gray, Miss M	Smith Miss Minnie
Hanrahan, Miss Kate	Shyle, Miss May
Heorling, Mrs F O	Sloyen, John
Hohn, Miss Julie	Schoonmacker, Mrs G B
Helmer, Fredrick	Thompson, Miss A L
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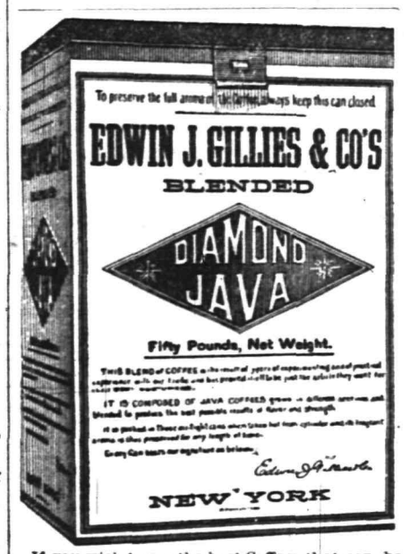

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Three Flouring Mills Burned, Six Men Missing, and Several Persons Badly Injured—Loss $400,000.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The most appalling and uncommon disaster this city ever experienced occurred yesterday and produced loss of life and property.

At 3.15 yesterday afternoon the manhole of a sewer in front of a flouring mill on Mill street suddenly flew out with a terrific report, followed by an immense sheet of flame that leaped 60 feet into the air and twisted about in the wind as if to lick up humanity and property in one horrible gulp. This explosion was followed by at least 40 others in rapid succession through Mill and Platt streets and West avenue.

The manholes are, as a rule, located near the center of the streets, and are covered by blocks of sandstone five feet square and a foot thick. These were lifted 10 or 12 feet high and smashed into fragments. The upheaval flung stones in every direction and smashed windows in buildings that had been shaken so that the inmates rushed out to see whether an earthquake was destroying the city.

The uncommon explosions created as much mystery as excitement. There were 10,000 people crowding the streets within 15 minutes, and a more panic stricken crowd was never seen. The scene of the first explosion was in one of the most populous parts of the city, right in the midst of boiler works, tool factories and flouring mills, in each of which a large number of employes were engaged at the time of the explosion. They all hastened into the street and were immediately driven away by the sheets of flame issuing from the manholes that kept blowing out at short intervals. The crowd had no sooner made a pell mell rush for safety from Main to State street than manholes in that street also commenced to blow up. Reports quickly spread that a large number of people had been killed, and that attracted bareheaded women and shrieking children to the scene. The police were unable to regulate the terror stricken people, some of whom madly rushed toward the flames issuing from the sewer openings, as if desperate to find out whether their friends were dead or alive.

All this time the flames kept increasing in volume, and there were many new explosions in streets adjacent to the first upheaval to which the crowd had hastened for safety. These explosions occurred on Mill, State and Platt streets and West avenue, covering altogether four miles of streets. One street car was hoisted from the track by an upheaval between the rails. There were numerous runaway accidents to add to the hullaballoo, and one horse had his nose carried away by a flying rock. This pandemonium reigned with increased intensity for two hours, during which many people who were injured were taken away without any record being kept of their names or the extent of their wounds.

The flames from the first explosion ran along the sewer where it passes beneath one of the flouring mills and in an instant the mill was fairly raised from the ground and dropped in a mass of ruins from which flames leaped many feet high. The firemen worked at great disadvantage on account of the intense heat and they were fearful of being blown to atoms any moment. From the Clinton Mill, that first caught fire, the Washington owned by J. A. Hinds & Co., and the Jefferson owned by J. G. Davis & Co., which were entirely consumed. The total loss on these three mills and to Whitney & Willson's Shawmut mills, which were damaged, is about $600,000, and the loss to the city on account of the explosions in the sewers is as much more.

The cause of this calamity was the accidental emptying of 14,000 gallons of naptha into a trunk sewer at a point whence it was distributed into two or more other sewers. The Municipal Gas company works on Canal street, near the centre of the city, have been in the habit of getting oil and naptha from the taks of the Vacuum Oil company, two miles away by a conduit. At 12 o'clock Tuesday night the oil company commenced to pump naptha through the conduit. At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon word was sent to the oil company that no naphtha had been received. An agent of the oil company then went to the executive board office, the municipal authorities in charge of the sewers, and had half finished telling that the naphtha had been lost, when the explosion occurred. Chief Engineer Tubbs looked out of his office window and said: "There's your naphtha."

The Vacum Oil company is a branch of the Standard. No one knows exactly how the naphtha went into the sewers. It is claimed that sewer contractors building a new sewer broke the conduit and then turned the running naphtha into the sewer to keep it out of their own trench. This story is officially denied, and the authorities maintain that the trouble arose from a break in the conduit, for which the Vacuum company is responsible.

As soon as the cause of the explosions was learned, the sewers containing the naptha were flushed, which doubtless prevented a much greater destruction of property.

The first reports of the killed and injured were overdrawn. Two men, Fred. Wilson, head miller in the Shawmut mills, and Ed Webster are known to bead, and four men employed in one of the burned mills are missing.

Among the injured whose names are thus far learned are: A. J. Hinds, face partly blown off; Warner Westcott, leg broken and otherwise injured; Miss Alice Poole, terribly bruised and in dangerous condition; J. G. Davis, head badly cut; George Davis, burned and bruised; William Richards, leg broken; John Miller, badly bruised and burned; Joel G. Davis, leg and arm broken; William Ritchie, leg broken; George Mitchell, head cut; a man named Burch believed fatally hurt; James Smith, artery cut off; Edward Cannon, badly bruised and burned.

Chicago's Elevated Road Project.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—A new elevated railway scheme covering a comprehensive system for all three divisions of the city is said to be on foot among a New York syndicate representing $20,000,000 capital. The company is styled "The Chicago Rennerating Elevated Railway company." It will propose that in lieu of municipal taxation it pays the city 5 per cent. of its gross receipts. Three cent fares and transfer tickets will prevail.

Bears in the Catskills.

STAMFORD, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Many bears have been killed in the Catskills this season. The best ranges are said to be Hunter mountain, Black Head and Slide mountains. Several bears weighing between three and four hundred pounds have been killed.

Chicago's Police Monument Assured.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22. The first meeting of the Haymarket committee was held yesterday, and it was decided to stop the inflow of money, as the seven thousand dollars on hand was deemed ample to erect a suitable memorial of the police.

EUROPE'S WAR SCARE

ABDICATION OF PRINCE FERDINAND OF BULGARIA.

A Letter from Gladstone—Death of Cardinal Raudi—The Crown Prince—Stanley's Expedition—The Pope's Jubilee.

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—At the opening of the Boerse yesterday the tone was firm on rumors that Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria had abdicated.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—Gen. von Schweinitz, the German ambassador, has reached St. Petersburg on his return from Germany.

The *Grashdiaan* (a semi-official organ) condemns the English government for supporting the triple alliance against Russia. It believes, however, that the visit of Lord Randolph Churchill to Russia will influence England's policy. It says that Lord Randolph will confer with several Russian Statesmen, and, if possible, will have an interview with the czar at Gatschina Palace.

A LETTER FROM GLADSTONE.

He Throws the Gauntlet Down to the Tories in Behalf of Irish Freedom.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Mr. Gladstone, in a letter written to a friend, recently, said that nothing would please him better than to see the tories returning to the position which they appeared to be in two years ago, and by granting autonomy to Ireland, bring about a hearty, indissoluble union between Ireland and Great Britain.

"But," said he, "if they leave the question in the hands of the liberals we will overcome, not for the first or twentieth time, by constitutional means, their resistance."

Death of Cardinal Raudi.

FRANKFORT, Dec. 22.—Cardinal Lorenzo Hilarion Raudi died here yesterday. He was the son of a shoemaker and was born at Bagnocavallo on June 12, 1818. He served for a long time under Pius IX. as governor of Rome and prefect of the Pontifical police, and held that position in 1870, at the time the Eternal City was taken possession of by the Italian forces. In September, 1875, he was created a cardinal-deacon. He was an enthusiastic collector of old coins and photographs, and at the time of the Italian invasion transferred his celebrated and valuable collections to the Vatican to insure their safety.

Stanley's Expedition.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Advices from Zanzibar under date of Dec. 19, say that a messenger has arrived from Central Africa who brings no direct news from Henry M. Stanley, but says it is reported in the country on the eastern side of Lake Nyanza that Mr. Stanley, after many privations, reached Wadelai in the early part of Sept. The principal difficulty he encountered was between the Mabodi country and Wadelai.

The Pope's Jubilee.

ROME, Dec. 22.—All the absent cardinals have been summoned to return to Rome before Jan. 1 to take part in the pope's jubilee. Two hundred foreign bishops and many European legitimist arisocrats have given notice of their intention to visit Rome after Christmas to attend the celebration. The pope will receive, though in a private form, the good wishes of the Italian royal family.

The Crown Prince.

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—The crown prince's physicians report that they are satisfied with the prince's progress. The crown prince took a walk yesterday, accompanied by the prince of Saxe-Miniger.

Mr. Hooper's Refusal of the Convict's Dress.

DUBLIN, Dec. 22.—Mr. Hooper, the editor, following Mr. O'Brien's example, refuses to wear the prison clothes and remains in bed day and night.

A London Pugilist Coming Over.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Toff Wall, the pugilist, will go to America in February.

The Lobster Fishing Season.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—Since the Hon. Mr. Foster, minister of marine and fisheries, returned from Washington he has examined the report of the lobster commission, which shows that the business is being overdone, and recommends an immediate remedy. As a result an order in council has been passed which places the limit of the lobster fishery season in the Atlantic, Bay of Fundy, from Cape Canso westward, at the first of July, and in the waters of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Quebec, including Anticosta and Magdalen islands at 15th July. This shortens the length of the fishing season in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward island by 35 days and in other portions 31 days.

Fatal Explosion of Gas in the Mines.

WILKESBARRE, Penn., Dec. 22.—A terrible explosion of gas occurred in the Nottingham mine at Plymoth last evening. A party of six miners entered a breast where the ventilation was defective, causing the gas to accumulate to a great extent. A miner who carried a naked lamp caused the gas to explode and six men were seriously burned. Their names are John Rowland, James Davis, Richard Davis, James Kelley, David Hughes, David Davis, The first four are fatally burned about the face and body and the last are badly injured.

Look Out for the Belgian Miners.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. Secretary Fairchild took official notice yesterday of the report that 3,000 Belgian miners are to be imported to take the place of the miners in the Lehigh region now on strike. He sent telegrams to the collectors of customs at New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Baltimore, calling attention to the report, and instructing them to be vigilant in preventing any violation of the Allen contract law.

Dissatisfied Glass Workers.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—The flint glass blowers who numbered over 500 in this city held a secret meeting yesterday to discuss the regulations and wages submitted by the manufacturers and which will be in effect next year. They denounced the price-list and said it was an attempt to to break up their organization. The men will decline to work under the rules. The principal works affected will be Gillender & Sons, Gil & Murray and Rehrbacker & Harmann.

Mexico Will Run Her Own Mints.

CITY OF MEXICO, via Galveston, Dec. 22.—It is reported that the government, which has given notice to all mint contractors that they must turn over the mints in four months to duly appointed representatives of the treasury, will run the mints itself, thus effecting a large annual saving. The government is now cutting down expenses and preventing waste.

A NEW MAMMOTH CAVE.

It is On the Shores of Lake Erie, and is Believed to be Miles in Extent.

TOLEDO, Dec 22.—A report from Locust Point, Ottawa county, on the shores of Lake Erie, tells of the discovery of a new mammoth cave there. The shores of the lake along the edge of Ottawa county are wild, rough, and rocky, and have never been fully explored. A French fisherman named De Shelter found the cave last summer while swimming at the creek. In diving he was carried under a rock, and came up on the other side in a vast cavern. Later he made another visit there with a lantern and found that through the cavern flowed another small stream, which apparently united with the waters of Lake Erie a long distance to the northwest. Following this stream for a distance of one hundred yards, De Shelter found himself on the brink of a huge cilindrical shaft, sunk in the floor of the cavern. The mouth of this shaft was twenty feet in circumference, and it was seemingly without end. Near the mysterious shaft was a narrow opening, and passing into this De Shelter discovered a room in the cave much larger than the first. Figures of limestone and formations, undisturbed for ages, impeded the progress of the explorer, but in every direction he discovered similar openings, which confirmed him in the belief that the cave extends far under the waters of Lake Erie, and that it is possibly connected with Perys cave at Putin Bay. He is convinced the cave is miles in extent.

DAKOTA WANTS ADMISSION.

Mr. Springer Will Introduce a Bill That Will Permit Her to Enter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Mr. Springer, chairman of the house committee on territories, is preparing to introduce on the first bill day in the house an enabling act for Dakota. Mr. Springer's bill will provide for holding an election on the Tuesday after the first Monday in June next for delegates to a convention to meet on the third Tuesday in next July and frame a constitution; that the constitution will be submitted to the people for a vote upon its ratification on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1888, and at the same time the people may elect two representatives to congress, a governor, other state officers and a legislature; that the legislature then elected may choose two United States senators, and that the constitution may be submitted to congress for approval in December, 1888.

Mr. Springer's proposition is to enable the territory as a whole to be admitted into the union, and her senators and representatives to take their seats in congress at the second session of the Fiftieth congress.

The Saco Bank Defaulter.

SACO, Me., Dec. 22.—Henry McNeely, brother of Frank C. McNeely, the young Saco bank defaulter, arrived here from Halifax yesterday. He declines to state the result of his visit, and the bank officers are also reticent. The general belief here is that Harry was unable to make satisfactory arrangements with his brother for the return of the stolen securities. Harry held a consultation with the bank officials this morning. The purser of the steamer Polynesian says a person answering McNeely's description was a passenger from Liverpool to Halifax on that steamer.

The Boston Baseball Association.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The annual meeting of the Boston baseball association was held yesterday noon at Young's hotel, and was called to order by President A. H. Soden. Seventy-three shares of stock were represented. A ballot for officers for the ensuing year resulted in the unanimous choice of the following 71 votes being cast: President, A. H. Soden; treasurer, J. B. Billings; general manager, W. H. Conant; board of directors, Soden, Billings and Conant. The salaries of the president, treasurer and general manager were fixed the same as last year, at $2,500.

Bloodshed at a Wedding.

ESPANOLA, N. M., Dec. 22.—There was a wedding yesterday at San Pedro, a mile east of Espanola, and a dance at night. Whiskey was plentiful. A row broke out about 11 p. m., in which three men were badly cut. The principal fighter, Gabriel Sanchez, left the house, and a short time after several shots were fired through the window. A little girl was shot in the eye, the ball glancing around her face, making an ugly but not fatal wound. Mrs. Gonzales was struck by a ball in the neck and another passed through both breasts. Her recovery is doubtful.

To Search for the Raft.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—It is learned here that Secretary Whitney, who is now in New York, has instructed Commodore *Gherardi, in command of the New York* navy yard, to send a naval vessel on a cruise after the enormous raft Nova Scotia, now adrift in the path of European vessels, to warn them of its presence, and if possible, to tow it to a place of safety. This action is taken in compliance with the request of the maratime exchange. It is expected that the Dolphin will be sent on this mission.

Trying to Select an Editor.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The Socialist publishing company held a four hours' session last night and made an ineffectual attempt to select an editor for the *Arbeiter Zeitung*. Shevitch is the man wanted, but he cannot be induced to come to Chicago. He is now earning $75 a week, which is more than the Chicago fraternity can afford to pay. Probably Albert Currlin will be offered the place.

Saloon Keepers Frightened.

KINGSTON, Ont., Dec. 22.—Hotel men near here who have suffered two convictions under prohibition law are closing up their bars fearing a third conviction, for which the penalty is imprisonment. The temperance people have insisted on the strict enforcement of the law, and the cabinet has acceded to their demands.

Death of Major Haggerty.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Major James Haggerty died at his residence, No. 225 East Forty-ninth street, at 7.30 o'clock this morning. As is well known his death has been expected daily for some time. Major Haggerty served a term in the assembly a few years ago.

A Big Lumber Dealer in Trouble.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 22.—E. L. Packer, one of the largest wholesale dealers in pine lumber in this section, has confessed judgment for over $50,000, because of pressure of western creditors. He is confident the assets will fully cover the liabilities.

Young Has Indicted.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The grand jury yesterday returned an indictment against Ralph Lee, charged with an attempt to murder his stepfather, S. W. Rawson, the president of the Union Trust company, several weeks ago.

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Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00 a. m., 12.00, m., 1.00, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.09, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.25, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.38, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44 a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9.29, 10.45, 12.44, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.30, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6.02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m. 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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THE WHISKEY TRAFFIC.

The Effect of High License On Saloons in Connecticut—A Great Falling Off.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 22.—The agitation of the prohibitionists, particularly of the Womens' Christian Temperance association, which sent a perfect avalanche of bills to the temperance committee of the legislature last winter, resulted in securing an increase of from $100 to $150 for licenses, making the price $300. The advocates of high license, who have long stood that high license would reduce the number of places where liquor is sold, have been anxiously awaiting the effect of the increased price. All licenses expired on Nov. 1, and since that time the county commissioners of the several counties have met in the respective towns of their several counties to grant the new licenses.

The falling off in the number of applications has been a surprise even to the most sanguine high-license advocates. In small towns at least one-third of the sellers have not asked for renewals, and these towns have received a greatly increased revenue, though having a less number of saloons. In the city of New Haven fifty more retailers have decided not to apply for renewals, and in Hartford and other cities of the state there has been a similar falling off. It is thought that some of the small dealers will try to sell without a license, but the prosecuting attorneys, backed up by dealers who have paid for the privilege of selling, will crush out promptly all illegal traffic.

CONVICTED OF BRUTAL MURDER

The Trial of Fulton Ends in a Verdict of Murder in the First Degree.

CORUNNA, Mich., Dec. 22.—The case of Dan Fulton, which ended Tuesday in a conviction of murder in the first degree, has attracted much more than ordinary attention, as the crime was a most atrocious one. Fulton descended from gypsies. He was a follower of a notorious woman, who kept house with him near Elsie last winter, but came to Middlebury in the spring, and was housekeeper for Alexander Holmes, a farmer who had separated from his wife.

Holmes once allowed Fulton to take his horse and cart, the woman and her son, to Ovid. The party returned at dusk. Fulton, who was refused permission to stay over night, sprang from the buggy, knife in hand, and attacked the farmer. The wounded man staggered to the house of a neighbor, who found him all but dead on the porch. Fulton then set upon his wife, stabbing her and cutting her head off.

Then he went to his boarding house, procured his razor and drew the blade across his throat. He recovered, however, and Holmes did also.

A Protest Against Lamar.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 22.—The following letter of Gov. Thayer to Senators Manderson and Paddock has been made public: "As a citizen of the United States and as a republican, I respectfully, but earnestly protest against the confirmation of L. Q. C. Lamar as a justice of the supreme court of the United States. He was a bold and defiant advocate of the dissolution of the Union in 1860-61. He has never recanted. He was in heart and principle as much a traitor as Jeff Davis. A man with such a record should never be placed upon the bench of the supreme court by the votes of the republican senators. He is not a fit person to interpret the constitution of the United States.

Saved Her Name and Property.

WICHITA, Kansas, Dec. 22.—An unusual marriage took place in this city Monday night in the union of C. Pelscher and Miss Mary Beal. For the past ten years they have been living together as man and wife. Pelscher has been ill with consumption for some time. Monday night the doctors told him he could not get well. Every one supposed the couple to be married until Pelscher surprised his attendants by saying that he wished to be married to Miss Beal. A license was procured and they were married. Yesterday morning he died, leaving a large estate.

Jail Delivery Frustrated.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 22.—Warden Pearcy, of the state penitentiary, has discovered and nipped in the bud what promised to be a wholesale escape from the state penitentiary here. It was planned for Sunday evening. The convicts had cut a large hole in the roof of an unoccupied cell on the top floor through which they were to go and then gain the ground by a rope thirty feet long which they had plaited from pieces of hemp. A guard found the hole in the roof shortly before the appointed time and the plot was foiled.

Swindling Colored Folk.

NEWBURG, Dec. 22.—A colored man whose aliases are variously given as Robertson, Jones, McVeigh, etc., is traveling along the Hudson river, professing to be a clergyman. Ostensibly he is collecting money for missions. He is declared to be an imposter and colored folk are warned against him.

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The weather indications for New York, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are: Colder, fair weather, fresh to brisk and along the coast brisk to high westerly winds, with a cold wave.

WALL STREET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Money on call to-day, 4 per cent.

BONDS.

	Closing Yesterday.	Closing To-day
6s. 1881, reg.	107¼	108¾
6s. 1881, coup.	107¼	108¾
4s. 1907, reg.	125	125¾
4s. 1907, con	126	126¾

STOCK MARKET.

THREE O'CLOCK.—There was no further noteworthy change in prices, though the tone continued very strong.

CLOSING PRICES.

	Closing Yesterday.	Closing To-day
Canadian Pacific	——	61¾
Chicago, Bur. & Q.	——	120
Central Pacific	——	35¼
Del. & Hud.	102¾	103¾
Del., Lack. & West.	129¾	129¾
Erie	27¾	28¼
Erie, pref	——	64¼
Lake Shore	94¾	94¾
Louis. & Nash.	60	60¾
Michigan Central	87¼	89¾
Missouri Pacific	86¾	87
N. Y. & New Eng.	39¾	39¾
New Jersey Central	73¾	74¾
New York Central & Hud.	108¾	109¾
Northwestern	105¾	106¾
Oregon Navigation	88	89¼
Pacific Mail	35	35¼
Reading	65¾	65¾
Rock Island	112¾	113¾
St. Paul	72¾	74¼
Union Pacific	55¼	55¼
Western Union	76¾	76¾

MERCANTILE EXCHANGE.

Butter—Market quiet; Creamery—Eastern 26c.@28c.; western 23c.@28c.; Elgin, 31c.@33c.; imitation, 23c.@25c. Dairy—Eastern, half-firkin tubs, 24c.@27c.; eastern, Welsh tubs, 24c.@25c.; eastern, firkins, 20c.@22c.; eastern, dairies entire, 20c.@23c.; western, 20c.@22c. Factory—Fresh, 20c.@23c.

Cheese—Market quiet. Factory—New York, cheddar, 11½c.@11¾c.; western, flat, 11½c.@11¾c. Creamery—New York, part skims, 8c.@9c.; skims, 1c.@2c.; state skims, 3c.@5c.

Eggs—Market dull. Fresh—Eastern, firsts, 25c.@26c.; Canadian, firsts, 21c.@22c.; western, firsts, 23c.@24c. Limed—Eastern, firsts, 17c.@17½c.; western, firsts, 17c.; Canadian, firsts, 17c.; imported, 18c.@19c.

DANGEROUS CRANKS.

Notes from the Experience of a White House Detective.

Demented Individuals at the Executive Mansion—President Grant's Queer Caller—A Teutonic Would-Be Diplomat—Other Cranks.

Detective Henry Kolb, who has constant supervision of the White House at Washington, is one of the best-posted men on cranks and their peculiarities in this country, writes a correspondent to the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*. He can tell a great many new and interesting stories of his experiences at Washington, but, as he is a quiet, modest man, it is rarely that he can be induced to talk on the subject. It was Kolb who first pointed out Guiteau to Secretary-of-State Blaine and warned him that the future assassin of President Garfield was a dangerous crank. The detective allowed himself to be interviewed by a Jersey friend the other day, however, and what he said is worth making public.

Referring to the subject of cranks, he said most people suppose they are shabbily dressed creatures with long, unkempt hair and bristling beard. This belief he characterized as being far from the truth. One class of cranks answers the above description, but there are numerous classes. The poorly dressed, unkempt cranks are usually from country places. They are poor and come to Washington to collect amounts of money they imagine the Government owes them. As a rule this class is not very dangerous.

The fellows most to be feared are the well-dressed, oily-tongued, who draw enough income from somewhere to support themselves, and who imagine that they own the earth and have a first mortgage on the sun, moon and stars. Guiteau belonged to this latter class. He wanted a high position under the State Department, and used good and apparently sensible language to convince Mr. Blaine that he was entitled to the place. Failing in this, God ordered him, so he said, to remove President Garfield, which he did.

While at the White House Detective Kolb was compelled to use great vigilance to keep the well-dressed, smooth-talking cranks from entering. Their stories were plausible and their appearance respectable. The follows with a week's growth of nappy hair and beard, and wearing clothing faded by the storms of many seasons, could be driven away like an old woman "shooing" chickens in many instances. The former, however, stood on their dignity, and it was frequently necessary to use force to get them off the executive premises.

"One afternoon during General Grant's first term," said Mr. Kolb, "a tall, stylishly dressed man, about forty-five years of age, came to the main floor and in a very dignified manner demanded to see the President. We informed him that the President was not receiving that day. 'Ah,' he rejoined with the utmost sang froid, 'General Grant is always at home to Republican members of Congress.' It was during the session of Congress; and believing that the caller was what he represented himself to be, I pointed out the way to the reception-room upstairs. He quickly disappeared up the velvety stairway, and we resumed our conversation. Pretty soon there was a commotion at the head of the stairs, and the usher up there sang out: 'Come up here, Kolb, quick!' I bounded up-stairs and into General Grant's office, and there was the Congressman gesticulating wildly, talking loudly, and following the President about the apartment in a very excited manner.

"The President was as cool as a norther, but there was an angry gleam out of his eyes. 'Put this fellow out!' he commanded, imperatively, and as I seized Mr. Congressman he quietly resumed his seat and continued his work as though nothing had happened. After a brief struggle I got the fellow to the head of the stairs and told him I would throw him down if he did not go peacefully. He went. It was several days before I learned the true cause of the disturbance. In the meantime the President rebuked me for not being more careful who I admitted into the building. 'I am not afraid of such fellows,' he said, 'but they annoy me and occupy valuable time, all of which you could avoid by not admitting them.' Had I known at the time what the fellow did I would have handed him over to the police. I learned the particulars from one of the children. He came in and claimed that he had been elected to Congress from the Baltimore district by 1,000,000 Republican majority, and notwithstanding that fact his seat in the House was occupied by a Democrat. He wanted the President to go to the capitol with him at once and demand that the Democrat be ousted forthwith. The General not only refused to do this, but he touched the button and summoned the door-keeper. In the meantime, before my arrival on the scene, the crank followed the President about, threatening the most dire vengeance unless he went to the capitol with him at once. I have always believed that General Grant narrowly missed being assaulted or perhaps assassinated on that day, as the crank was in a white-heat rage when I fired him out of the White House."

The detective also described how the late Secretary of State Frelinghuysen was grappled by a cranky German, who wanted to be made a special envoy to England and Canada, for the purpose of working a secret scheme to overthrow the English Government, raise the stars and stripes over St. James' Castle, and declare England, Ireland, Scotland, Canada and other provinces to be additions to the Republic of the United States. When Mr. Frelinghuysen ordered this fiery and extremely cranky diplomate from his office the latter seized him by the lappel of the coat, and would have assaulted him but for the presence of a door-keeper and messenger, who hustled the fellow out.

Kolb said a crank called an Secretary Lamar and wanted 1,000,000 acres of land in the West to establish a new "Land of Canaan," where the followers of the "unborn lamb" could worship in peace, away from the vice of civilization. He termed himself the High Priest of the new order. Secretary Lamar jokingly imformed him that the festive red man was still a predominating feature in the wild West, and that the followers of the unborn lamb might find the scalping-knife slightly more unpleasant than the vices of civilization.

Fishing with Clubs.

Big Lake is in Mississippi County, Ark., near Osceola, and about 100 miles from Memphis. Ordinarily, it is an imposing sheet of water, its dimensions being 40 miles long by 11 wide, but the almost unprecedented drought of last summer restricted the limits of the lake to less than 2 miles of water, and that so shallow that a man in rubber boots can wade it from shore to shore. A quartet of Nashvillians returned from the lake recently with 175 trout and 20 drum-fish, which weighed 375 pounds. They fished by providing themselves with stout oak sticks, about 3 feet long, and wading about the lake, killing the fish as they came to the surface. Scores of other parties were at the lake, and an active trade set in, tons of fish being sent every day to dealers in distant cities.

THE MAJOR'S VICTORY.

A Dakota Gentleman's Encounter With a Couple of Chicago Bunco-Men.

In the spring of 1882 "Major" Belfield, of Pierre, Dak., had an adventure in Chicago of which he has always felt rather proud, writes F. H. Carruth in the Chicago *Tribune*. I met him in the caboose of a Northwestern freight train out between Blunt and Rousseau while he was returning from the Garden City.

"When a plain-looking old bloke like me goes to Chicago," said the Major, "he's got to keep his eyes peeled."

"Did they try to work you, Major?"

"Took me for a yearling," he replied, as he whetted his pocket-knife on his boot-leg. "Picked me up for a pilgrim from Oshkosh. 'Lowed I was on my bridal trip, I reckon."

"But you were too much for them, Major?"

"They tried to drive me with a straight bit, but I laid down with 'em in the shaft's an' afterwards kicked the top off'n their wag'n," he continued. It might be incidentally mentioned that the Major was proprietor of the River Front Livery Barn and Corral. "When I got through buckin' I was the only live critter on the grounds."

"But how did it happen, anyhow?"

"W'y it was like this: I was walkin' 'long a street with buildin's up like cou'thouses on both sides, sorter tryin' to see my way out, when a slick-lookin' cuss with soft clothes on an' a big watch-chain come up an' sticks out his hand an' says he: 'W'y, Mister Brown, how are you? Thunder! But I'm highly glad to see you! When'd you come down an' how's Aunt 'Melia' an' all the folks?' an' all the time he a-workin' my arm up'n' down 'sif he thought I was a pump an' he had jes' poured two quarts of warm water in the top of my head to prime me. I let him pump an' felt 'round under my coat an' found my gun was there yet an' my belt under my vest was full o' cartridges an' I could feel my knife yet in my boot-leg, so says I: 'Who be you?'

"'W'y, don't you know me?' says he, 'I'm Seth Green, old Abner Green's son that used to go to schoo at the Shake Hollow school-house. I know you.' 'Well, then,' says I, 'if that's the case, who be I?' 'You're 'Squar' Doty, of Oshkosh, of course,' says he. 'No I ain't,' says I. 'You ain't?' says he, an' his lower jaw began to fall. 'Then who be you?' 'My name is David Rogers an' I'm from Sheboygan.' 'O, ah,' says he, 'I beg your pardon—mistakes will happen. Down for pleasure, I presume?' 'No, not exac'ly,' says I, 'I brought down 'bout two thousand to invest in aggercultural machinery.' 'Hah? Hey?' says he. 'O, excuse me ag'in—I got a very important engagement an' must hurry 'long.' He went off walkin' fast an' I sorter soldiered 'long lookin' for a s'loon where I could go in an' feel comfor'able an' at home.

"I'd gone mebby a couple o' blocks when I see another smooth-lookin' young man comin' straight for me. He stopped off a couple o' steps an' says he to himself: 'Yes, it must be him—bless me, it is!' Then he began to work my arm. 'What's the matter?' says I. 'I'm so glad to see you,' says he. 'You're Dave Rogers, of Sheboygan, my father's ole friend!' 'Who be you?' says I. 'My name is Asa Smith—you must remember me,' says he. 'O yes, that's so,' says I, 'I remember you well. How you gittin' along?' 'First-rate, first-rate. Mister Rogers,' says he. 'I'm comin' up to old Sheboygan to see all the folks 'bout the Fourth o' July. Would you mind takin' a short walk?' 'No,' says I. So we walked along down for a mile or so. We met another young man, who he interduced as a friend o' his'n an' we all had a pleasant time. They was very handy p'intin' out prom'nent buildin's an' such like, an' treated ev'ry once in a while, I al'ays, of course, takin' meller an' high-priced drinks. I jedge they irregated me five dollars' worth. I also borrowed a jack-knife of one of 'em to cut off some terbacker an' forgot an' put it in my pocket, an' while I was examinin' a cur'ous ring the other was showin' me I slipped it on my finger an' then discivered I couldn't git it off 'thout soap. We kep' a-goin' till we got down where the houses look pretty ornery an' I thought the air smelt jes' a little old, but I didn't say nothing. After awhile we got down on a little narrer side street where there didn't 'pear to be no folks to speak of an' they stopped 'fore a tough-lookin' house an' says Asa Smith: 'Uncle Dave, come in here an' see Eli Jones, another old Sheboygan boy.' 'O, yes,' says the other, 'of course, Eli will be jes' wild to see Uncle Dave Rogers from Sheboygan.' Then I stopped an' kinder hitched up on my pants an' looked 'em both right in the eye for 'bout a minute. It was gettin' mighty solemn 'round there, an' then I said slow an' plain, same as I was preachin' funeral sermon, says I: 'Young fellers, my name aint Rogers, or I aint from Sheboygan, but I'm a dirty, low-down hoss-thief from Pierre!' an' I yanked my six-shooter an' p'inted at 'em awful careless. An' those two enterprisin' young men turned an' began to pretty near fall down in the other direction, so 'bout all I could see of 'em till they wint round the corner was the bottoms of their feet flyin' up 'n' down like a team o' mules kikkin' at the dashboard! I tell you, these folks that say it's so easy to go to the city and not git robbed don't know what they's talkin' 'bout; when a man that lives in the country goes to Chicago he's got 'o be sharper 'n a steel trap or they'l skin him out o' ev'ry cent he's got."

A King on the Battlefield.

After the battle of Mars-la-Tour every nook and cranny was filled with the dead and the wounded, and it was with the utmost difficulty that a small room could be obtained for the King (the present Emperor William). Its furniture consisted of a bed, a little table and a chair. The King inquired on entering: "Where are Moltke and Bismarck lodged?" "Nowhere as ye', your Majesty," replied the aide-de-camp, though he knew full well how much those gentlemen needed rest to enable them to resume their labors on the following day. "Then ask them to encamp here with me," said the King; "take away the bed, the wounded need it more than I do, and in its place have some straw and a few rugs brought in. That will do for the three of us." This was done, and the three distinguished personages spent that rainy night on the straw.

Little Mary's Question.

Little Mary M., aged two and one-half sunny years, is learning to talk and picks up every thing she hears. A few days ago Judge B., called on Mary's papa, but took no notice of the little one playing about the room. The Judge is wordy and pompous, but little Mary was not a bit afraid of him, and edged herself up on his knee, where she stood regarding him with critical eyes. Pretty soon there was a pause in the conversation, when the baby asked gravely in her high treble voice: "Jub, did 'oo ever dit left?"

JOE BAYIESS' SPEECH.

The Eloquent Kentucky Lawyer in the Supreme Court.

"The apparel always proclaims the man," said Polonius. He was, thinks a contributor to the Washington *Critic*, injudicious in not substituting always for "oft." It has been found that the finest bird is not always the one that wears the finest feathers.

Years ago the staid citizens of Washington were surprised one morning at the appearance of a strange figure in their streets. He was dressed in a pair of old corduroys, ripped at the ankle for convenience in rolling up, a drab overcoat, much the worse for wear, with several capes, worn out, untied shoes, and a "shocking hat."

Solemnly he walked the streets, six feet in height, leading a little black, rough-haired mare, her tail matted with burs. A pair of small saddle bags hung over the saddle, in which were stuffed papers and crackers and cheese. Stopping at an obscure hotel he put up his mare and relieved himself of his "top coat." Into one of the pockets of a short gray linsey roundabout he stuffed his lunch, and into the other a bundle of law papers, tied with a hemp string. Inquiring the way to the Supreme Court, he walked forth, the wonder of the negroes and idle boys. Arrived at the court room, he sauntered within the bar, took a seat, and began munching his bread and cheese. The lawyers and spectators smiled at the awkward countryman on his first visit to the capital. Soon a case was called which seemed to interest the countryman. It involved the title to a large tract of land lying in the "Green River Country" of Kentucky.

A Mr. Taylor, of Virginia, a leading lawyer, began his argument by a statement of facts. All at once the countryman stopped munching, and tapping the counsel on the back, corrected one of his "facts." The lawyer paused, frowned at the busybody, and went on. The countryman resumed eating and in a few moments again corrected the counsel. "I beg the Court to protect me from the impertinence of that person," said Tavior, showing much irritation. Taylor finished his powerful argument, and then, to the amazement of spectators, the bar and the judges, the stranger rose to reply. His manner was wholly changed. He stood as if he had practiced in that court all his professional life. His argument was so clear and forcible, and his reply to the opposing counsel so masterly, that the bar and court looked as though they doubted their ears and eyes. Mr. Taylor appeared paralyzed. The perspiration rolled from his forehead and face in great drops. The rustic he had sneered at, seemed a legal giant. Every one asked: "Who is he?"

It was Joe Daviess, one of the best lawyers and most eloquent orators of Kentucky, as eccentric as he was gifted. Scarcely one present knew him personally, but all had heard of his brilliant reputation.

PLUCK AND HONESTY.

The Motive Power Which Leads Life's Bark to the Haven of Plenty.

Pluck and honesty are the two essentials to success in life, writes Mr. Ed. R. Pritchard. Possessing these, a man may start poor and ignorant and become rich and wise. The most beautiful, as well as the most useful and practical things in this world, are the offsprings of genius and pluck. Howe had the genius to invent the sewing-machine, and the pluck to bravely battle against poverty until the value of his invention was recognized and wealth and fame crowned his labors. Goodyear had the brains to discover the process of converting the juice of a trophical tree into waterproof clothing; also, to introduce India rubber into mechanics as a material which, in its various forms, could be put to a thousand different uses. He had, too, the pluck to pay no heed to the sneers of his friends, who dubbed him a lunatic, but stuck to his work until his most ardent hopes for the future of his discoveries had been more than realized. So brains and genius are the vehicles, I may say, for carrying out great things; but pluck is the motive power. A forty-horse-power engine is a great piece of mechanism, and is capable of doing a vast amount of work provided steam is given it. Take this away, however, and the engine becomes only a mass of inert matter, possessing no power that enables it to be of any practical use whatever. So pluck is the steam that keeps the human engine going. A man without pluck may have the intellect of a Webster, the genius of a Fulton, but he will never be heard of outside of his own township. On the other hand, a mediocre who has pluck, and plenty of it, may achieve for himself both fame and fortune. In short, my dear boy, to sum it all up in one brief sentence, it is the fellow who "hustles" that makes life a success. A chip floats with the stream; but it takes something possessing power, and directed with skill and intelligence, to stem the current, to breast the rapids; so in life the man with pluck has the motive power with which to propel his little bark against the rapids of adversity, and finally drop his anchor in the smoother waters, beyond the confines of which are the harbors of peace and prosperity.

Birds Killed by Electricity.

The electric light in the torch of the statue of Liberty, according to *Frank Leslie's*, kills thousands of birds each week. The torch, or the electric light, is three hundred feet above the waters of the sea and visible a distance of nearly forty miles. During the season of migration of birds, vast numbers of them dash themselves against the torch and are killed. Over one thousand three hundred dead birds were picked up one morning recently at the foot of the statue. Upon examination, it was found that the heat of the light had blinded many of the birds, and in some cases parts of the heads were entirely roasted. It is also stated that only a few of them were killed by being crushed against the torch, or statue, but nearly all were burned or blinded so badly that they died.

A Paper-Eating Girl.

There is a young lady of Boston who is very much addicted to eating paper. Every clean speck of this article that comes in her way is immediately put into her mouth. She happened to be in a counting-room the other day, and after she had departed the gentleman missed a check that he had made out that morning and laid upon his desk. It was sought for high and low, but could not be found, and, finally, as a last resort, a messenger was sent to the fair caller to ask if she had seen it. She returned answer as follows: "Dear Mr. Blank: There was a nice, smooth, shiny piece of paper in front of me in your office and I ate it. Could it have been that?" The payment of the check was stopped, though this proceeding was deemed unnecessary.

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BY THE WAY.

—A new tool house has been erected in the Catholic cemetery on Berckman street.

—Several pieces of property have recently changed hands in the vicinity of the Pond Tool Works.

—Two new drinking cups have been placed in the waiting room at the depot, but the water is as warm as usual.

—The glassblowers at Laing's Hall continue to draw good audiences. This week will close their engagement in this city.

—Three little girls of this city have chosen roller skates as their Christmas presents. The fascinating exercise is coming in fashion again.

—During yesterday and today poultry has come into market by the wagon load, and hundreds of fat, plump turkeys and chickens will be disposed of by the merchants before to-morrow night.

—Now the speedful toboggan,
Without any joggin',
Bears lassie and lad thro' the rifts;
While people of reason
Are flocking in season
To Collier's, to toboggan for gifts.

—If our contemporaries *will* talk of high art in ceramics, we wish they would remember that cloisonne is an adjective meaning really, inclosed, and that the Schoonmaker Collection now on public exhibition is of porcelain and cloisonne *enamel*.

—A runaway occurred on Somerset street Wednesday afternoon, which nearly resulted in wrecking a number of vehicles. Two ladies who were driving along that thoroughfare at the time were obliged to drive their horse on the sidewalk, to avoid a collision.

—We received today cash subscriptions from twenty-seven persons, towards the relief of Mrs. Jackson who is still confined to her bed. The list includes such well-known gentlemen as the Rev. K. P. Ketcham, and Messrs. A. Vanderbeek, A. W. Tyler and G. L. Van Emburgh.

—On account of Monday next being observed as Christmas holiday, the regular meeting of the Plainfield Building and Loan Association, for the payment of dues etc., will be held in Cutter's Hall, on the following evening, Dec. 27th, at 7:30 p. m. See notice in another column.

—Wednesday morning the first regular passenger trip on the Jamaica, L. I., Railroad was made by the electric cars. They moved along easily and the passengers were delighted at the successful working of the new line. The system is the VanDepoele, proposed for this city.

—On Saturday night some one unknown took a horse and wagon belonging to Mr. Miles, the florist of Somerset street, from the barn, and after riding around for awhile returned the rig in good order. On a former occasion the horse was turned out to pasture without the owner's knowledge or consent.

—Testimony was taken on Wednesday, before Master in Chancery, Nelson Runyon in the case of Isaac Colthar *vs.* the Township of North Plainfield. Mr. W. R. Codington represented the Township and Mr. Geo. P. Suydam appeared on behalf of the plaintiff. Testimony was concluded for Colthar and the further taking of testimony was adjourned. The suit is to recover $750 alleged to have been paid on account of the support of Colthar's wife.

—Mr. Geo. A. Moore, the popular North avenue butcher, makes an announcement in another column, that on to-morrow afternoon after one o'clock, he is prepared to furnish to the poor of the city, free, a sufficient quantity of fish for their Christmas breakfast. Mr. Moore makes this offer out of a spirit of charity, and the offer will be duly appreciated, especially by those whose means are limited. His store on North avenue has been decorated and fitted up especially for the holiday season, and is greatly admired by all.

Christmas Exercises at the Schools.

Today closes the public schools of the city for the customary Holiday vacation, and the scholars will all be dismissed to assemble again on Tuesday morning, Jan. 3d, 1888. Special exercises were held in recognition of the occasion, at all the schools, but particularly so at the Stillman and Franklin. At the former there were a number of visitors present, and the programme was much enjoyed. The chorus singing was so good that Dr. Ketcham, in opening his remarks, said it excelled anything of the sort he had ever heard, under any circumstances. He then spoke briefly upon the importance of receiving physical education, attaining intellectual education, and training the soul. He counselled the scholars to be always in earnest, and never to be discouraged. Miss Ella Osborne, of the Junior class, read Will Carlton's poem, "A Christmas Party," with good effect; and Miss Laura F. Baker, of the Senior class, read Thackeray's "End of the Play," with much grace. Miss Bulkley, in dismissing the assembly, wished everyone a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

At the Franklin School, exercises by the Primary Department will take place this afternoon, as the overcrowding of the building fills the chapel with scholars during school hours. An assortment of Christmas carols will be sung, and the following programme has been arranged:

Christmas in Norway.....Beatrice Craig.
Song—"Silent Midnight".....By Nine Girls.
The Little Christmas-tree.....Julia Belknap.
Santa Claus at Home.....Florence Beal.
Song—"Welcome to Santa Claus"..By 9 Children.

A CHRISTMAS PIECE.
By Nellie Voorhees.

Mother.....Lulu Jenkins.
Grandma.....Gertie Wilkens.
Children.....Mazie Briggs. Lucy Pound. Marguerite Burnet. Ida Dunham. Marie Newman. Willie Sebring. Willie Waters. Willie Ross.
Santa Claus.....Ellery Leonard.

At the Bryant School, the Vice Principal, Miss Shreve presided, having entirely recovered from the severe cold that necessitated her absence recently. The scholars assembled singing their own Christmas march, and the exercises consisted almost entirely of carols and songs, one of the latter accompanied by the chiming of sleigh bells, outside. The Rev. J. L. Hurlbut addressed the little ones, and wished for them a happy Christmas time during all the coming year. He told them if they always wore the three rings, Kindness, Love and Contentment, they would never be unhappy.

The scholars of the Washington School only held special exercises in their respective class-rooms. Each scholar in this building, as well as every scholar in all the primary departments of the public schools, was presented with one of Prang's handsome cards—the gift of the Board of Education.

The North Plainfield public school, closed with appropriate exercises today. The school will re-open on Tuesday, Jan. 3d.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mr. J. Brooks of this city has secured a patent for a sheet delivery apparatus.

Mr. John Dunning, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending a few days with friends in this city.

Councilman-elect G. Warren Watson of East Front Street, is confined to the house with an attack of the quinsy sore throat. His friends hope for his speedy recovery.

Mr. Frank Cook, the athlete of this city, left town on Wednesday, to begin a four weeks' engagement with the Frank A. Robbins circus, at the American Institute, New York city.

The toboggan slide was again opened to the public yesterday afternoon and evening. The weather was decidedly colder than on the previous days when the slide was open, but this did not interfere to any great extent with the attendance.

Justice John D. Jaques of Westfield, during his ten years service as a Justice, has had but three appeals from his decisions. Two of these were affirmed in the higher courts, and the third was withdrawn. His rulings at all times give generally good satisfaction.

Runaway.

A runaway horse attached to an express wagon created consternation among pedestrians on West Second street this morning. Near the corner of Madison avenue the animal ran on the sidewalk and wrecked the wagon to a considerable extent. The horse freed himself and ran into Park avenue, thence along the sidewalk to North avenue where he was caught. Christmas presents were piled up promiscuously on West Second street where the vehicle was overturned. No one was injured.

—The toboggan slide was opened last night for the first time this season. The attendance was not large, but those who were there greatly enjoyed the sport. The slide is now in excellent condition and will be open every afternoon and evening weather permitting.

THE ART GALLERY ATTRACTIONS.

Some Of the Choice Works to be Seen at the Loan Exhibition.

Yesterday we had only space to speak in detail of two remarkably perfect pieces of bronze statuary. Today we would turn back again and consider some more of the scores of handsome paintings that have been loaned towards the excellency of the exhibition that is spread before the public in Plainfield's Art Gallery.

Where there are so many larger and more prominently hung pictures, a visitor is liable to miss or overlook a number of beautiful water-colors, principally in the rooms where are displayed the porcelains and enamels. A search for these delicately treated paintings and a careful study, is well worth the time spent. Daudin, of Paris, is represented by no less than seven gems in their way. The subjects are perhaps "Frenchy"—though not so much so as might be expected—but the execution, as well as the color, is most brilliant. There may be no refinement in the figures, but the gracefulness of the artist's conception is very pleasing. A number of other water-colors also deserve attention.

Two paintings in the main gallery by lady artists of this city, are most satisfactory in their display of real talent. One, No. 56, an example of "still life" by Mrs. W. H. Griffin; the other, No. 20, a bunch of peonies, the best of a number of flower pieces by Mrs. Van Arsdale. The first is a grouping of old books, showing true genius in detail and execution.

Fruit is so hackneyed a subject of both professionals and amateurs, and so worn out on chromos and dining-room ceilings, that one naturally avoids everything in such line that might meet the eye. But No. 51 of the collection is a bunch of grapes by Geo. Henry Hall, and loaned by Mr. George H. Babcock. Take a good look at it. It will please your artistic eye —and make your mouth water.

Your catalogue may mislead you to believe that No. 75, "Sports of Cupid," has been awarded three gold medals, the decoration of the "Legion of Honor," and a diploma. The text, however, means that the painter, N. Diaz, was laden with such honors. As to the picture, the group is most incongruous even in an allegorical way, and Mr. Cupid possesses a leg like a prize ham. It is all loaned by Mr. T. T. Kinney, the genial editor of the Newark *Daily Advertiser*, who, however, saves his reputation for modern taste by also donating a little gem, No. 73, from the brush of C. Troyon.

The deceased Kensett is represented by No. 77, "Waterfall near Tivoli," loaned by Mr. C. W. McCutchen of Washington Park. Mr. Benj. M. Day, also of the Borough, contributes a little work of Winslow Homer's, that you might neglect but which grows upon you most agreeably if you grant it your attention.

No. 76 is a quaint study by Charles Felu, of Antwerp, who was born without arms and paints with his feet.

To-morrow we will continue our review, and present to your notice more of the many good, few indifferent and the one or two bad pictures the exhibition contains. The collection is on view every day from 10 a. m., to 4 p. m., and every evening from 7 to 10 p. m.

Reform Club Meeting.

The cold wave which arrived here yesterday, somewhat interfered with the attendance at the Reform Club meeting last evening, but there was nevertheless a fair audience present. President French occupied his usual place on the platform. Mrs. King, and Miss Hawkins, with Miss Alice Smith at the organ, composed the choir. Interesting and spirited remarks were made by Judge Harper, President French, Geo. M. Angleman and others. A gentleman, whose name we are unable to ascertain, spoke of the benefits he had received by reformation and total abstinance.

Royal Arch Mason Officers.

The following officers were elected for Jerusalem Chapter, No. 24, R. A. M., last evening:

W. H. Sebring, P. H. P. H. P.
G. M. Stiles, K.
J. Chandler, S.
D. A. Rogers, P. H. P. Treas.
C. M. Goddard, P. H. P. Sec'y.
J. G. Miller, C. of H.
B. F. Cortell, P. H. P. P. S.
E. Nelson, R. A. C.
A. Titsworth, I. D. TenEyck and C. M. Goddard, Trustees.

Entitled to a Prize.

Mrs. H. C. Drake, of No. 12 North avenue, desires the person to call at her house who transferred to her charge a book containing three tickets, on the last evening of the W. R. C. Bazaar in the G. A. R. rooms on the evening of Nov. 26th. One of the course tickets, No. 56, entitles the holder to a prize, in the shape of an individual salt cellar and napkin ring.

—Messrs. Warden & Fowler, confectioners, on Park avenue, have fitted up their windows in an attractive manner. Choice candies of almost every variety are there in large quanties.

OBITUARY

MRS. ELIZA JENNINGS.

Mrs. Eliza Jennings, an aged lady, died at her home on Somerset street, Wednesevening, from old age. She was eighty-two years and three months of age. Rev. Dr. Van Meter will officiate at the funeral from the house to-morrow afternoon at one p. m. Interment in Evergreen cemetery.

MRS. WILTON RANDOLPH.

As announced in THE PRESS last evening, the death occurred yesterday morning at Netherwood, of Ida Evans, daughter of Col. Thos. I. Evans, of Richmond, Va., and wife of Mr. Wilton Randolph, the Councilman-elect from the Second Ward. The deceased leaves a husband and four children to mourn her loss, the eldest child, a son about fourteen years of age, being a member of the volunteer choir of the Netherwood mission chapel. The family has resided at Netherwood for a few years past, removing here from Richmond, Va. Mrs. Randolph was a woman of sterling quality and during her short residence in this city has won the friendship and esteem of all who were favored with her acquaintance. One year ago to-morrow (Dec. 24th,) the family sustained a severe blow by the loss of an infant. The funeral will be held at the late home of the deceased, to-morrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The remains will be taken to Richmond for inierment.

FRANCIS McINTYRE.

At his home on North avenue this morning at twenty minutes before eight o'clock, occurred the death of Francis McIntyre an old and respected resident of this city, in the 75th year of his age. The deceased had been confined to the house for about two months past. Kidney complaint is announced as the cause of death. Deceased was the son of Patrick and Mary McIntyre and was born in Castle Blarney, County Monogham, in the year 1812. At the age of 37 years he married Alice Johnson, also of Ireland, who with two children, John F., now living at Somerville, and Sophia, the wife of Theodore Mullen of this city, survive him. Soon after his marriage he came to this country, and in 1851 he took up his residence in Plainfield. For over twenty years he was in the employ of the late Dr. Sherman, who resided at the corner of Central avenue and Third street, but for many years past he has lived a retired life. Mr. McIntyre was a man known to all the old residents here. During his lifetime he accumulated considerable wealth and owned, at the time of his death, several valuable pieces of property on North avenue, besides real estate in other parts of the city. The funeral will take place from St. Mary's church on Monday at 10 a. m., when a solemn requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of his soul.

Prisoners Sentenced.

Judge McCormick presided at the Court of Special Sessions at Elizabeth, Wednesday, but there was little business to come before the Court. Thos. Silk, the ungrateful fellow who, while a patient at the City Hospital, robbed the pocketbook of a lady visitor to the institution, was arraigned for sentence. He was sentenced to the County Jail for three months, Judge McCormick remarking that he was sorry he could not send the prisoner to State Prison. Wm. English, a worthless fellow, was next arraigned on a charge of breaking and entering a dwelling house and stealing therefrom an umbrella. He plead guilty to entering and larceny, but denied the charge of breaking. The Judge sentenced the prisoner to three years in State Prison.

New Jersey's Farms and Dairies

The latest statistics of the agricultural industry of New Jersey gives the number of farms in the State as 24,307, embracing 2,096,297 acres of improved land, having an estimated value of $190,895,833. The sum of $14,891,413 is invested in live stock. There are 150,000 milch cows, yielding 15,472,783 gallons of milk, and 9,513,835 pounds of cheese. The total number of persons engaged in agricultural pursuits is placed at 59,214, of whom 33,578 were farmers and 23,672 farm laborers.—*Ex.*

—The only place to enjoy Winter sport in comfort—or to look on and keep warm, too—is at The Crescent, next Monday afternoon and evening.

—If you put two persons in the same bedroom one of whom has the toothache, and the other is in love, you will find that the person who has the toothache will go to sleep first.

—A petition is being signed by a large number of commuters residing in Somerville and Plainfield, asking the railroad company for a fast train, to leave Somerville about 7 a. m., stopping at Plainfield and to arrive at New York about 8:15.

—Complaints are numerous of drivers who are in the habit of allowing their vehicles to stand on the cross-walk at the corner of Park avenue and Front street. Officer Lynch often has his patience vexed, when he is obliged to tell the driver to "move on."

Plainfield to Santa Claus.

[*Contributed.*]

Pray, Santa Claus, look down and see
How big our city grows:
Where it will end, we cannot tell,
For only goodness knows.

Then, send to us, dear Santa Claus,
Those things we need the most:
A City Hall wherein shall sit,
Our city's legal host.

A Public Park, with shaded seats,
And Lake, to skate and row;
With music on a Summer's eve,
To make the people go.

A Public Hall, to educate—
And entertain as well—
The poor who toil from dawn till dark,
The nations purse to swell.

A Public Bath, where each and all,
From dirt may cleanse his skin;
Where boys and girls may go each day
And learn to dive and swim.

And send us too, a waterworks.
Then won't the husbands jump,
When no more they'll their muscles strain,
Grinding the rusty pump.

A system too, of sewerage,
Add to our city's wealth;
To carry off the filth and dirt
Which ruins people's health.

Send to the Rep's an *Evening* (?),
One that can tell the truth.
The Independents have THE PRESS,
Beloved by age and youth.

Make all who ever rule our town,
Do what is just and right:
But never skip to Canada,
And leave us in a plight.

P. J.

Public Library.

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Public Library was held last evening. Present—Messrs. Male, Baldwin, Tracy, Dumont, Tyler, Yates and Stillman. A communication was received from the Librarian, Mr. A. W. Tyler, offering his resignation to take effect Dec. 31. On motion the communication was received and Mr. Tyler's resignation was accepted to take effect as above. A communication was also received from the Librarian making several suggestions as to the conduct of the Library during the six months next following Jan. 1, 1888. It was voted that the suggestions of Mr. Tyler be adopted. They are in effect that: 1. He retain the supervision of the work, with the title of Supervising Librarian, and in his discretion make to the Library one or more visits each month, as it may be practicable for him to do. 2. That Miss Adams be appointed Librarian. 3. That the circulating department, after Jan. 1, be open every afternoon except Saturday, and on Saturday evenings during the same hours as at present. On motion Miss Adams was appointed Librarian for six months from Jan. 1, 1888. On motion the following resolution was unanimously adopted and the Secretary was requested to furnish Mr. Tyler with a copy:

Resolved, That in accepting the resignation of Mr. Arthur W. Tyler, who has acted as Librarian for the last two years, this Board desires to express its high appreciation of his very valuable services in the organization of the Library and its sense of obligation to him for its present satisfactory condition; and that the thanks of this Board be tendered to him not only for his important services in the past but also for his considerate and generous offer to gratuitously serve as Supervising Librarian for the ensuing six months.

WASHINGTONVILLE.

The Washingtonville Sunday School will hold its annual Christmas festival on Monday evening, the 26th inst., at the school house. The exercises promise to be of an interesting nature.

Miss Lizzie Burnett, who has been confined to the house by illness for some time past, is now on a fair way to recovery. At one time her condition was thought to be hopeless, but eminent physicians from Plainfield rendered valuable assistance.

Mr. Joel Beabout has purchased and had cut on the mountain a lot of white oak spiling, which are to be used in the construction of the wharves of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at the terminal on Staten Island.

The ice men who were longing for a fall in the temperature, had their desire gratified yesterday afternoon. The ice houses are all empty, and the dealers have been buying ice to supply their customers. One ice firm in the Valley is reported to have purchased $400 worth of ice within the past few weeks.

SCOTCH PLAINS.

"Dan" Baker, the famous trapper and hunter of Scotch Plains, with his celebrated dog "Prince," and with the assistance of Charlie Mesler, on Wednesday captured three of the largest raccoons that have been seen in this section in years. They were all captured in one tree, but made a desperate fight. The three weighed 56 pounds and were killed on the mountain between Plainfield and Scotch Plains. These animals have been making sad havoc among the poultry in this neighborhood.

—During Monday afternoon and evening, Dec. 26, there will be roller skating at The Crescent, with music by a full brass band.

FANWOOD FABLES.

Truthfully Told by Our Suburban Saunterer.

The Chicago anarchists expressed it as their belief that the instrument for the reformation of the world was to be found in dynamite. Mr. George Kyte seems to be of the same opinion, for on what other supposition can we account for the horrible rending noises that are often heard in the neighborhood of his stone crusher? The deadly explosive seems to find no difficulty in doing its work, as a visit to the spot will show.

Amid all the confusion of Christmas times, did you ever stop to reflect on the magnitude to which this plan of giving presents has grown? To realize this, imagine the custom to have fallen into a state of "innocuous desuetude;" no more holiday bargains, holiday catalogues, holiday sales or holiday books; no feverish rushing from store to store, nor making up orders to be sent C. O. D. Fourteenth street would no longer be a place of terrors for civilized man, while Macy's, unchanged by the approach of the holidays, would be free of that awful grinding crush which puts the rural visitor in such a state of abject terror. Really the purveying to this custom, in its different branches, has grown to be quite an industry.

THE PRESS only voiced the feeling of the people when it said that if Mr. William McNair should be found to be responsible for the disappearance of his wife he should be dealt with according to law; no quarter will be given for wife-beaters. But it is well to remember that in this country every one is presumed innocent until he is proved guilty, and this should be the rule in forming a private judgment as well as in making a judicial decision. There is no use of arriving at hasty conclusions from mere rumor; if the prisoner merits conviction, no doubt but that he will have it when the proper time comes.

The constitutional provision, however, in favor of an accused person is in many instances little mere than a name. Witness the case of Jacob Sharp; every man on that jury was convinced of his guilt before one word had been offered in evidence. They swore that they could lay aside all previous impressions and judge the defendant solely on the evidence, but what is the condition of things when of two thousand men examined only twelve can be found who are not so convinced of a prisoner's guilt as to be unfit to serve as impartial judges? For this state of affairs no one is to blame as much as the metropolitan press. The newspapers of our cities form an oligarchy, organized and compact, and possessed of far more power for good or evil than was ever held by any regal despot. The treatment of Dr. McGlynn, the venality lavished on both candidates in the last Presidential election, the perverted reports of the returns—all these are familiar instances of a power abused. The newspaper may be the supreme product of civilization, but that is no reason why we should bow down and worship it, following wherever it chooses to lead us and to whatever extremes in may go.

The sale for the benefit of the Baptist church is now in progress at the vacant drug store. Saturday is the last day on which it will be open. Next Wednesday evening the Sunday School will give its usual Christmas entertainment at the church. I understand that the affair will be an unusually fine one. The Sunday School has extended to all a cordial invitation to be present.

On Saturday we had a real old-fashioned snow storm. Many returning from their Christmas shopping late at night found the walk home a difficult one. Justice Kyte's snow plow came along very early the next morning and cleared the way. On Sunday morning the cut-and-dried Christians went to church, but the Christians who loved their fellow men, stayed at home and shovelled paths.

The bag sale given by the Choir Guild of the Episcopal church could not have been held on a worse night. The walking was vile, the sidewalk being covered with three inches of melting snow. But for such a night the attendance was remarkably good. Those who were on hand were rewarded, for it was the general opinion that the articles placed on sale were unusually suitable ones. A five cent counter for the little folks was a novel feature. Another was a Christmas tree hung with Chinese lanterns and toys.

Of the actors of the present time who undertake Shakespeare's plays, none stand higher than Lawrence Barrett and Edwin Booth. Either of them in one of his favorite parts displays the highest artistic power, and together they make a very strong couple. Next week they will appear together in "Julius Caesar," at the Academy of Music, New York. The engagement is for the two weeks following Christmas.

In two days the great Xmas Day will be here. To the people in Plainfield, best wishes and MERRY CHRISTMAS are most heartily extended by all Fanwood, including your SUBURBAN SAUNTERER.

WASHINGTON NEWS

PROGRAMME FOR THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION.

Senator Standford Makes the Pages Happy The Samoan Correspondence—No Man's Land—Confirmations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The official programme for the president's reception on New Year's day is already announced.

The reception will begin at 11 a. m. and terminate at 2 p. m. The custom that has prevailed for years will be observed again. The president, assisted by Mrs. Cleveland and the ladies of the cabinet, will first receive the members of the cabinet and the diplomatic corps and then the members of the supreme court of the United states, Senators, members of congress, the officers and judiciary of the district of Columbia, the officers of the army and navy, the civil service commissioners, department officials, veterans of the wars of 1812 and 1846, and G. A. R. members will follow in the order named.

Mrs. Cleveland's Saturday afternoon receptions—from 3 until 5 o'clock—will begin on Saturday, Jan. 7, and continue on alternate Saturday's throughout the winter.

After the adjournment of the senate yesterday the fourteen pages began celebrating the beginning of their holiday rather noisily. After a few minutes they were summoned to one of the cloak rooms, to which they went reluctantly, expecting, of course, to receive a lecture upon decorum. They were drawn up in line and Capt. Bassett, the doorkeeper, handed to each one a $5 bill, which he told them was a gift from Senator Stanford. The little fellows gave a shout in unison which startled the loungers in the corridors, and then ran away to celebrate the day.

Naval Constructor Horner, who is supervising the work on the cruisers being built at Cramp's shipwards, has been in the city for several days in consultation with navy department officials. It is inferred from his statements that he does not think the vessels can be completed within the contract time.

A resolution has been reported by Mr. Dolph srom the senate committee on foreign relations in secret session of the senate, calling upon the secretary of state for the correspondence relating to the German occupation of the Samoan Islands and Apia.

A bill was introduced yesterday by Senator Vorhees to extend the laws of the United States, except those providing for pre-emption, timber culture and desert land entries of the public lands, over the public land strip south of the Indian territory. It also creates the land district of Cimarron.

The senate has removed the injunction of secrecy from the following confirmations of the 21st inst:—Samuel T. Williams, of Maryland, to be secretary of legation in Brazil, and O. S. Strauss, minister to Turkey.

A TIMELY RESCUE.

The Schooner Pharo Abandoned and the Crew Saved After Great Suffering.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Capt. N. B. Pharo and four destitute seamen of the American schooner W. W. Pharo, have just arrived here from Philadelphia. Their vessel, which was bound from York river to Wilmington, Del., with poplar wood, was abandoned at sea in a sinking condition on Monday morning last. All hands were rescued, after great suffering, by the British steamer Ethelbald, from Bluefields, and landed at Philadelphia yesterday. The Pharo left Chesapeake bay on Friday morning. The day following she was caught in a hurricane off Chincoteague Island. The seas took away all the deck fixtures, flooded the cabin, washed the provisions overboard and set the cargo adrift. Then the hull began to leak.

The weather was intensely cold and all hands were badly frostbitten, the sailors being compelled to abandon the pumps. At daylight of Sunday there were eight feet of water in the hold and the storm was still at its height. The vessel was drifting helplessly about, the men being unable to navigate her. At midnight Sunday one of the sailors, named James Lemhart, went mad from cold, hunger and exposure. He begged the captain to shoot him. The men clung to the dismantled hull and were rapidly freezing and starving when at dawn of Monday the Ethelbald hove in sight. Capt. Smith, of the steamship, rescued all the hands in the steamer's boats. Shortly afterwards the Pharo sank. Lemhart remains in Philadelphia, under the care of the Ethelbald's surgeon.

Bought His Charity.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec 23.—Some days ago an old man named John Benson came to this city and found work in the Indianapolis, Bloomington and Western railroad shops, but his age was such that he could do but little. He applied to the county commissioners for permission to go to the poor asylum. The commissioners haggled over the matter and presented objections and finally the old man produced a receipt from a safety deposit company in St. Louis showing that he was the owner of $8,000 in government four per cent bonds. He then proposed to give the interest to the county and at his death to bequeath the whole sum to the county for the care of him during his remaining days. This presented a new phase of the questions and commissioners admitted him. They suggested that he place himself under the care of a guardian, but the old man refused, saying that he had no confidence in humanity and did not intend to be robbed. He has been transferred to the asylum.

Fatal Duel Over a Love Affair.

WAVERLY, Iowa, Dec. 23, M. E. Billings and W. P. Kingsley, two prominent lawyers, quarreled last night over an old love affair. Both drew revolvers and fired simultaneously, Kingsley being killed instantly killed. Billings was severely wounded. He was promptly jailed. Kingsley was county attorney, and the feeling is intense against his slayer. There are threats of lynching.

Killed While Loading His Gun.

WESTHAMPTON, L. I., Dec. 23.—John W. Newton, a resident of this place, accidentally shot himself yesterday while reloading his gun. The charge passed through his heart, and he died instantly. He was out quailing with a party of friends.

Costly Pitchfork Exercise.

ST. ALBANS, Vt., Dec. 23.—A verdict for $3,750 has been given to a hired man named Stevenson, who was some time ago stabbed by his employer, Royce Smith, with a pitchfork. His injuries are of a permanent character.

Escaped Prisoners Recaptured.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Dec. 23.—John Williams and William Lynch, the cracksmen who escaped from jail here a fornight ago, have been recaptured, the former in New York and the latter in Yonkers.

ROCHESTER'S SEWER BLAZE.

Another Victim of the Explosion—The Loss Will Reach $300,000.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 23.—An investigation into the causes of Wednesday's explosion of naphtha show that the sewers in two wards were filled with gas coming from the burning fluid, and had the walls of the sewers not been of extra thickness the entire streets would have been blown up. Experts estimate the damage to the sewerage system of the city at several hundred thousand dollars. The fire department was kept at work on the three burned mills until last night. In them were over 6,000 barrels of flour and 20,000 bushels of grain, all of which were destroyed. The losses are estimated to-day in the aggregate at $300,000 with less than $100,000 insurance.

Thousands visited the scene of the explosion yesterday. Barrels of flour were thrown a distance of over 200 feet.

Scientific experts say that the accident was an extraordinary one. The main sewer on the west side of the city was a sheet of flame for four hours. This afternoon the pipe which carries the naphtha from the Vacuum Oil company's works to the Municipal Gas works was found to be broken. It is believed that another break occurred at a point over a sewer which connects with the tunnel sewer, and in this way the 15,000 gallons reached the point where it caught fire and exploded. The city council yesterday appointed a special committee to investigate the cause of the disaster. Lawyers say that it is possible that the Vacuum Oil company is criminally liable for piping such dangerous fluid.

John Lee, who was missing is in the ruins of the Clinton Mill. This makes three killed and twenty-six injured. Some of the injured will probably die.

Mutilated by a Hawk.

GREENVILLE, Pa., Dec. 23.—William Horn, living near this place, shot a large hawk on Monday. The shot broke one of its wings, and Horn captured the hawk alive. He took it home and tied it by one leg to the leg of the table in his kitchen while he rigged up a cage to keep it in. Mrs. Horn was busy in the kitchen and her 8-months-old baby was creeping about on the floor. The baby was attracted by the appearance of the hawk in the corner and crept up to it, unobserved by its mother, who suddenly heard her child screaming in agony. Turning around, Mrs. Horn saw the child lying on its back on the floor, while the hawk was on top of it tearing at the baby's face and breast with its talons and beak. Mrs. Horn ran to the rescue of her child, and in getting it away from the hawk her right hand was gashed to the bone by a blow from one of the hawk's claws. The flesh on the baby's face was torn away on one cheek until the bones were exposed. One eye was gouged out and the under lip nearly severed from the face. The child's breast was also badly lacerated. The hawk would have killed the child but for its prompt rescue by its mothers. The ugly bird was taken out and shot. The child's injuries may prove fatal.

Dartmouth's Land Grant.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 23.—The governor and council and President Currier and Speaker Burleigh, of the house of representatives, as a committee representing the interests of the state, and the trustees of Dartmouth college, representing that institution, held a meeting to-day at which several propositions were considered relative to the disposition of the Dartmouth college grant. This grant was voted the college by the legislature and is located in Coos county. It consists of 24,000 acres of land, much of it heavily wooded. There were several proposals made for leasing the land in order to remove the timber, and one for purchasing outright for $50,000. The offers were referred to a committee.

The Yellow Label of the Knights.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The national convention of cigarmakers has completed its work. The constitution and by laws were adopted without dissent, and special legislation was enacted concerning the yellow label of cigars made by Knights of Labor, which was adopted at this convention. The yellow label will hereafter be placed on all cigars made in factories where Knights of Labor are employed, and a resolution was adopted before adjournment requesting all other trades to give preference to goods manufactured by members of the new organizations which will bear their trade mark.

A Knight Gets a Life Sentence.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 23.—On April 3, 1886, five knights of labor attacked a coal train on the Missouri Pacific and Richard Townsend, an officer, was murdered. It was during the strike. Henry Henning, one of the five men, while drunk, boasted in Hill county that he had fired the shot which killed Townsend. He was arrested and given a life sentence. The case went to the supreme court and the judgement has just been affirmed.

Plenty of Cider.

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—So far this winter one hundred thousand gallons of cider have been made at Youngsville and vicinity. The product of cider brandy and apple whisky in portions of Sullivan and Orange counties between now and spring will be large.

Tyng to Play With the Philadelphias.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—James A. Tyng, the well-known Harvard college player, who recently pitched for the Staten Island club, has been signed and will play with the Philadelphia baseball club next season.

Sporting Notes.

Harvey McKenna, the wonderful billiard player, Wednesday night made 2,497 points in a three ball straight rail game. This beats all records, and stamps McKenna as the emperor of the cue.

George Young of this city and Austin Gibbons fought ten rounds Wednesday night in Paterson before about seventy spectators. Gibbons had the best of the mill from start to finish, and was awarded the victory.

There is said to be a hitch in the match between Paddy Smith and Mike Daly. The latter says they were to fight fifteen rounds for $500, winner to take all, but that Smith now demands that the loser get one-third of the purse. Mike will not consent to this demand.

Jake Kilrain, in accordance with instructions from his backer, R. K. Fox, claims the title of champion of the world and the stakes in his recent fight with Jem Smith. Neither will be accorded him. It is doubtful if he will be able to get another fight with Smith. Jem is willing, but he can't get backing now.

Jimmy Carroll, who was the light weight star of John L. Sullivan's last American combination, has challenged Mike Daly for the light-weight championship of America, or will fight any other man for the title for a purse. He says justly that he believes fighting for stake money is unsatisfactory, inasmuch as backers are too prone to take unfair chances in such matters.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 23, 1887.

Adams, J H	Layton, Henry
Barnes, Miss Louie	Lewis, Miss Carrie
Banke, Jr., H W	Morris, Mrs E C
Barber, Mrs Chas H	McNance, Mrs E
Clawson, Miss Mary R	O'Connell, Joe
Carman, Mrs Harry	Pound, Jackson S
Doty, James	Parks, Miss Kate
Donnie, Jas	Runyon, A S
Dody, Miss Arthur B	Rowland, Miss Addie
Fielding, Mrs Hewett	Sargent, H J
Green, Mrs Ella	Sayre, Mrs Julia
Harris Mrs B S	Silsb , G W
Holmes, Miss Annie M	Scott, Miss B
Hall ck, Mrs Geo	Smith, Miss Sallie
Hudnut, Jas	Smith, Mrs Jane
Johnson, Miss Laura	Tomson, Miss Delure
King, Miss Lillie A	Turner, Alice
McKintosh Augustus	Wells, Elisha
Kane, Andrew	White, Miss Amy

persons calling for above please say advertised.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

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NEW YORK MAILS.

CLOSE—8.00 and 10.00 a. m.; 2.00 and 5.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—7.30, 8.50, 11.45 a. m.; 2.30, 5.30 p. m.

SOMERVILLE, EASTON, ETC., MAILS.

CLOSE—7.30 a. m. and 4.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—8.50 a. m. and 6.30 p. m.

SUNDAY MAILS.

Arrive at 5.10 a. m. Office open from 9.30 a. m. to 10.30 a. m. Mail closes at 7 p. m.

Mail for Warrenville closes Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 m.

Post Office opens at 7 a. m. and closes at 7.30 p. m. Saturdays closes at 8.00 p. m. Open every evening until 8.30 p. m., to owners of lock boxes.

Owners of lock-boxes coming without their keys will please apply for their mail at the Side Delivery Windows.

Office Closed after 10 A.M. on all National Holidays.

Money order office open from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Saturdays to 4 p. m.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

DEATHS.

MCINTYRE—In this city, December 23d, 1887, Francis McIntyre, of Castle Blarney, County Monoghan, Ireland, in his 75th year.

Funeral services Monday, Dec. 26th, at 10 o'clock, from St. Mary's R. C. Church, where a solemn requiem Mass will be said for the repose of his soul. Friends and relatives are respectfully invited.

RANDOLPH—Netherwood, N. J., Dec. 22d, 1887, Ida Evans, daughter of Col. Thos. I. Evans, of Richmond, Va., and wife of Wilton Randolph.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

BRICK! BRICK!! BRICK!!!—The report having been circulated in Plainfield that there were no SOMERVILLE BRICK to be had, the public are hereby notified that we have a large stock of *first-class brick* on hand, which we are selling at the lowest market prices. ROSS' Brick-Yard, Somerville, N. J. 12-20-tf

TWELVE SECOND-HAND PARLOR STOVES for sale cheap. R. THORN, No. 2, Park Ave., 2d floor. 12-16-7d

TWO PLEASANT ROOMS TO LET WITH board. Apply at 59 E. 6th St. 12-14-10

TO LET—HOUSE CORNER SIXTH AND DIvision Streets, furnished or unfurnished; for boarding or private use: in good order; all improvements. Rent very low to responsible parties. Apply to Mrs. E. D. Eaton, Division Street, between 5th and 6th. 12-6-tf

TRY THE "O. A. F." CIGAR; MADE FROM the finest Havana filler, without a particle of artificial flavoring. The best 5-cent cigar in the world. 11-16-tf

FURNISHED ROOMS; FOR GENTLEMEN only, over the Post Office. ELIZABETH SCHORR. 9-22-tf

FOR SALE—MY PROPERTY ON WEST SECond Street. Price Moderate. Terms easy. T. H. TOMLINSON, M. D. 20-6-tf

FOR SALE—A SECOND-HAND, TWO HORSE "Peerless" power. In good order. Sold cheap, for want of use. Apply S. B. WHEELER, Netherwood Farm, Plainfield, N. J. 6-22-tf

FOR SALE—THE LOT SOUTH-EAST CORNER of Jackson avenue and Somerset street, about 150 feet square. For price and terms apply to O'REILLY BROS., Archt's and Storage Warehouse, from 109 to 123 E. 44th street N. Y. city.—my20tf

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No. 14 NORTH AVE.,

Will tender to the POOR of the City, after ONE P. M. TO-MORROW, enough

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12-23-2

Building Loan Notice!

The fourth Monday in the present month being Christmas holiday, the regular meeting of the

Plainfield Building and Loan Asso'n,

for the payment of dues, &c., will be held in Cutter's Hall,

Tuesday Evening, December 27th,

at 7:30 o'clock. By order,

NATHAN HARPER, Sec'y.

12-23-2

THE

Toboggan Slide

IS NOW OPEN.

Afternoons, 2:30 to 5.

Evenings, 7:30 to 10:30.

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LOAN COLLECTION

OF

Paintings, Water Colors, Etc.,

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Schoenmaker Collection of Porcelains and Cloisonne Enamels,

Will remain on exhibition during the remainder of the month, at the

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Between the Hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., and 7 p. m. till 10 p. m.

ADMISSION, 25 CENTS.

Catalogues containing full description of the articles, with a description of the process of making Cloisonne Enamel, for sale at the Gallery. *PRICE 15 CENTS.* 12-21-tf

MUSIC HALL!

Monday Evening, December 26th.

THE POWERFUL ROMANTIC ACTOR,

Frederic Bryton

In "FORGIVEN."

"A drama of intense human nature. "The consummation of all that is great in dramatic construction is perceptible in 'Forgiven' as the attainment of absolute perfection in romantic characterization is obvious in Mr. Bryton's performance."

Tickets on sale at J. G. Miller's and Field & Randolph's Drug Stores, Thursday, Dec. 22d Prices as usual. 12-20-5

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Try our Cloth Cleanser for Grease Spots.

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City Pharmacy open Sundays from 9 a. m, to 1 p. m.; 4 to 9 p. m., for the Sale of medicines only. Telephone Call 109.

FIELD & RANDOLPH,

12-2-tf PROPRIETORS.

PECK'S CORNER.

Please do not neglect to pay

Peck's Stock

An examination between now and CHRISTMAS.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

Every customer purchasing $5.00 worth of *DRY GOODS*, or from our large display of

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Will receive an elegant Morocco Leather-Lined *GAME OF LOTO.*

Genuine mark down in our

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Wraps at $3.00, formerly $15.00.
New Markets, $8.00, " $11.00.
Misses New Markets, $6.00, formerly $9.00.

Cloaks from $1.00 upwards.

Silk Handkerchiefs from 10c. up.

I. H. BOEHM,

7 W. Front St.

13-12-tf

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ALL STYLES

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At Popular Prices!

Full Stock of Body, Shaft and Saddle BELLS. Also, PLUMES in all the different Shades.

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—Solid and Plated.

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12-16-tf

BOTH SIDES FIRM

NO INDICATIONS OF A SETTLEMENT WITH THE MINERS.

Lehigh Miners as Obstinate as the Operators—Contributions Growing Less—Call for a Coal Miners' Convention.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 23.—There is no change in the mining situation here. The miners of this region have been granted long since the concessions which the Lehigh strikers are now asking for. There is no prospect whatever of another strike. The Lehigh strike thus far has been so disastrous that it prevents miners elsewhere from following their example.

Miners of the Lehigh region are as obstinate as the operators. The latter can hold out as long as the inclination suits them.

MAUCH CHUNK, Dec. 23.—The operators here are as firm as ever, and no indication of weakening, while the main body of the men also continue to stand firm. It is a question of endurance. But it is true that the enthusiasm of the miners of other regions, who are making full time at good wages, and are reaping benefits from the Lehigh suspension is on the decline, and their contributions are rapidly growing smaller.

MAHANOY CITY, Dec. 23.—The anthracite coal miners' strike affecting the Lehigh Valley in Luzerne county, and the Panther creek and Shenandoah Valley in Schuykill county still continues, with no surface indications of either party giving way. The miners say that as long as provided with the necessaries of life they will remain idle.

It is believed, however, that a compromise would be accepted of, say, a minimum of four per cent. above the basis, with the usual arrangement of a per centage on the rise in the price of coal above that equivalent. There is very little reason to doubt that if the company ignores the agreement of September 1 entirely, or refuses to make such compromise as indicated, a strike will ensue.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 23.—John Britt, president of the fourth district miners and laborers' association, has issued a call for a convention of miners in the bituminous region, to be held at Dubois, Pa., noon, January 4, 1888. Action will be taken on the resolution of the joint convention recently held at Columbus, Ohio, adopting an advance of 5 cents per ton from November 1, 1887, which some of the operators in the Clearfield region have resisted. Sub-Division No. 3, Knights of Labor, will also hold a convention at the same time and place.

BY A NARROW MARGIN.

A Commercial Union Candidate For Parliament Barely Defeated.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 23.—The first attempt to make commercial union a plank in the political platform in Canada was tested in the election held in East Northumberland yesterday to fill a vacancy caused in the Dominion parliament by the unseating of Dr. Mallory, liberal. At the last election Dr. Mallory had a majority of thirteen votes over his opponent, Cocheran, conservative, who has now, on the issue of commercial union, defeated him, according to the latest reports, by fourteen votes.

The issue was a square one, and was calculated to test the strength of a commercial unionist sentiment in that old conservative constituency. Considering that out of some five thousand votes Dr. Mallory was only defeated by such a small majority the result is very significant, as the government threw all their efforts into the campaign to defeat the commercial unionist candidate.

There is considerable excitement over the result, as it was generally thought Cocheran would be elected on the question at issue by an overwhelming majority.

Reciprocity With the United States.

TORONTO, Dec. 23.—The Dominion Grange has unanimously adopted the following clause in the report of the committee on legislation: That in the opinion of this grange the removal of all restrictive and protective regulations between Canada and the United States would be for the public good and in the best interests of the people, and this grange requests its members to use their influence in support of the measure, on a fair basis, for a full interchange of commodities between the two countries.

Dr. St. John Escapes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The trial of Dr. St. John, Levi Dell and Capt. Froer, indicted for conspiracy in aiding in the escape of Warden W. J. McGarigle, came to a sudden close yesterday noon. The state's attorney acknowledged that he had not evidence enough to convict, so Judge Collins ordered the jury to bring in a verdict of acquittal. The indictments against Capt. Irwin, master of the bark, who has kept himself in Canada since the escape, still stands.

Robbed Within Earshot of a Crowd.

WAUKESHA, Wis., Dec. 23.—An unknown man entered Nickell's jewelry store last night, knocked down the clerk with an iron bar, stole $540 worth of jewelry, an unknown quantity of diamonds and escaped. The store is located on Main street and people were passing at the time, but the frosted windows shut out a view of what was going on inside.

Frozen to Death in His Sleigh.

GENEVA, N. Y., Dec. 23.—William Hinman, farmer, was frozen to death Wednesday night. He attended a wedding at the home of a friend and started to drive alone in his sleigh to his home six miles away. His team arrived at home and search was immediately made in the snow for Hinman. His body was found lying at the side of the road.

The Russian Cruiser Is Safe.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—A despatch has been received by Capt. Niebaum, the Russian vice-consul here, announcing the safe arrival of the Russian cruiser Alert at Vladivostok. She was supposed to have been shut in by the ice at Lawrence Bay, Siberia.

Blowing Up His Home.

CINCINNATI Dec. 23.—Yesterday morning Ed. Johnson, colored, placed four dynamite cartridges on a stove to heat, when they exploded and wrecked his two-story log house. The explosion killed two of Johnson's children, badly injured Johnson himself and fatally wounded his wife.

An Orange County Nondescript.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Dec. 23.—The capture of a nondescript animal, apparently of the genus bat, is reported in several localities in Orange county. The animal has sharp teeth, a head shaped more like a dog's than anything else. The rest of the body is like unto a bat.

Perniciously Active for Henry George.

SYRACUSE N. Y., Dec. 23.—The trustees of the Universal church yesterday decided that their pastor, Rev. J. C. F. Grumbine, must resign because of his "pernicious activity" in the interest of Henry George.

EUROPEAN WAR CLOUDS

KING MILAN SAYS SERVIA WILL REMAIN NEUTRAL.

Analyzing the Crown Prince's Blood. Father Ryan in Jail—Brutal Treatment of David Sheehy, M. P.

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—It is semi-officially announced that no communications have been exchanged by the Austrian and Russian governments concerning the present situation in Bulgaria, nor has Russia made any intimation regarding the movements of her troops on the frontier. It is considered still possible to arrange for the resignation of Prince Ferdinand and the subsequent appointment of a regent of Bulgaria who will be agreeable to Russia.

The *New Free Presse* says that King Milan of Servia, replying to an address of congratulation presented to him by the chamber of deputies, said the present moment was fraught with danger to Europe. If a conflict between Germanic and Slav ideas should ever occur, he said, Servia should not participate, but should remain a spectator. It would be impossible to Germanize Servian individuality, but it might be Slavicized. Then it would disappear. The Obrenovitch family (his family) live only for the Servian idea. "My desire," he continued, "is to follow my family traditions, which are the secret of my foreign policy."

The Warsaw correspondent of the *Political Correspondence*, who was the first to announce the military movements in Russia, repeats his former statements, and gives precise details regarding the various bodies of troops which have arrived in the Dublin district since the autumn. If his statements are correct the *Invalid Russe's* version of the movements was intentionally misleading.

Herr Vieunes, the Austrian tenor, who is under an engagement to sing in St. Petersburg, has received from Prince Dolgorouki a note informing him that it is unadvisable at present for him to appear in Russia.

The Russian government has prohibited the exportation to Prussia of stone used for building forts.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 23.—It is semi-officially denied that Russia has informed the powers that the movements of Russian troops in Poland have ceased. It is a fact, however, that no further displacement of troops is expected during the present winter.

Russian diplomats seriously expect some action on the part of Germany, Austria and Italy to induce Prince Ferdinand to withdraw from Bulgaria.

BUCHAREST, Dec. 23.—All vessels, pontoons, and tugs belonging to the Austrian navigation company have been ordered from the lower Danube to Turnseverin for the winter. This is an unusual precaution.

THE CROWN PRINCE.

His Blood Being Analyzed to See If it Contains Too Much Sugar.

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—A despatch to the *New Free Press* from Milan says that on the advice of English physicians the German Crown Prince's neck has been cupped, and Dr. Krause is having the blood thus obtained analyzed at the Milan laboratory in order to ascertain whether it contains an excess of sugar or whether it is in a healthy state. If it proves to contain too much sugar the physicians will decide to adopt the treatment advised by Dr. Freund of Vienna, which has in view the reduction of the sugar in the blood to its normal quantity.

Dr. Freund's theory is that the blood of patients suffering from cancer contains an abnormal quantity of sugar, and that cancerous growths may be destroyed by a reduction of the amount of sugar.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The *Tagblatt* says that Dr. Telschow, the court dentist, who went to San Remo to operate on the Crown Prince's teeth, has returned to Berlin, and reports the most favorable improvement in the prince's appearance and also in his voice, which is stronger and clearer. He says the Crown Prince requested him to widely circulate this report in order to counteract the unfavorable rumors that have been published about his condition.

Took His Clothes Away.

DUBLIN, Dec. 23.—At an early hour yesterday morning the governor of the Gloonmel jail entered the cell of Mr. David Sheehy, M. P., accompanied by five warders, and asked the honorable member, who had been sentenced yesterday to a month's hard labor in jail, to change his clothes for the prison garb. Mr. Sheehy absolutely refused to comply with his order, whereupon the warders knocked him down, tied his hands and forcibly removed his clothes. They then went away, leaving Mr. Sheehy in his underclothes. One of the warders threw him the prison clothes. The bedclothes were also removed.

Father Ryan in Jail.

DUBLIN, Dec. 23.—Father Matthew Ryan of the town of Hospital, county Limerick, one of the projectors of the plan of campaign, has been sentenced to a month's imprisonment without hard labor for inciting the people to commit illegal acts. Farther Ryan declined to divest himself of his clerical attire in prison, and the Catholic wardens sustain him in his refusal.

The Alleged Dynamiters.

LONDON, Dec. 23. A warrant has been granted in the Bow street police court for the arrest of Gen. Millen, the head of the Clan-na-Gael society, and Melville, formerly agent of the society in London, who are charged with being connected with the dynamite conspiracy in which Calan and Harkins are alleged to have been engaged.

Smith and Kilrain Call it a Draw.

LONDON, Dec. 23. Kilrain and Smith met in the office of the *Sportsman* to-day shook hands and confirmed the decision of the referee that the fight in France was a draw. No conclusion has been arrived at as to who shall take up Sullivan's challenge

Reorganization of the Canadian Militia

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The government has communicated to the war office here its intention of reorganizing the militia forces of the dominion, and asks for the advice and assistance of military experts.

Sullivan Deposits a Forfeit.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Champion John L. Sullivan has deposited £50 pounds at the office of the *Sportsman*, in order to bind either Smith or Kilrain in an agreement to fight.

Russian Students still Warlike.

LONDON, Dec. 23. A despatch from St. Petersburg says that an emeute is imminent among the students of the university in that city.

Turkish Negotiations Fail.

LONDON, Dec. 23. The *Standard* says that the negotiations between the Turkish government and Baron Hirsch has collapsed.

NATURAL GAS EXPLOSION.

One Dead and Three Terribly Injured Through a Plumbers Carelessness.

FINDLAY, Ohio, Dec. 23.—A fearful natural gas explosion occurred here last night, which resulted in the death of one person and the probably fatal injury of three others, all members of the same family.

A cottage on West Front street had been piped for the use of natural gas, and a plumber in making the connections with the stove carelessly permitted a large quantity of gas to escape, of which the family were ignorant until they attempted to start a fire. Then the gas ignited and a fearful explosion followed, blowing the house and its contents to pieces and throwing the inmates, James Lundy, his wife and three children, bleeding upon the pavement on the opposite side of the street. Lundy will probably recover, but his wife cannot survive, and one little two-year-old girl is already dead. Her two sisters, aged four and six years respectively, are moaning the hours away in the greatest agony, but it is thought they will recover.

The family had only moved into the house a few hours before the accident occurred. This is the worst explosion of natural gas that has ever occurred in this section.

MR. MANNING STILL ALIVE.

Conscious and Able to Recognize His Friends.

ALBANY, Dec. 23.—Dr. Hun, Mr. Manning's physician, was surprised at the patient's condition, when he called at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and expressed the belief that Mr. Manning would survive until midnight or early this morning. His son, James H. Manning, went into the sick room with the doctor, and was recognized by the dying man. At 3 o'clock this morning no change is reported in Mr. Manning's condition, and it is expected that he will live through the day. He is perfectly conscious, except when in an occasional stupor and recognizes the members of his family.

Wool Growers Defending the Tariff.

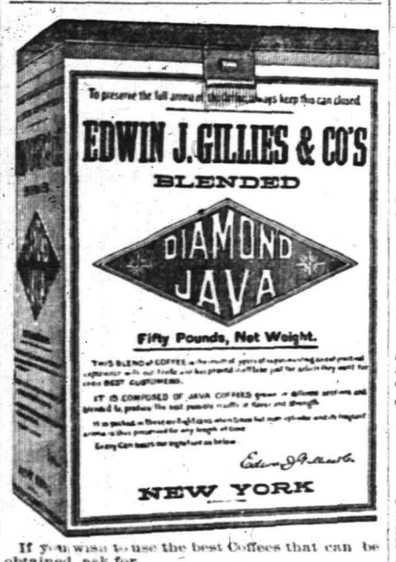
NEWCASTLE, Pa., Dec 23.—The State Wool Growers' association yesterday adopted a platform of principles condemning as "unstatesmanlike, uncalled for and unfair, that part of President Cleveland's recent message practically recommending the placing of wool on the free trade list;" also deprecating the train of evils to wool growing which have followed the tariff changes made four years ago, denouncing as demagogy recent efforts of congress to reduce the tariff, and averring that without a measure of tariff protection sufficient to secure the American market, the business of wool growing cannot be successfully carried on.

Parcel Post With Canada.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 23.—Postmaster General McLellan has returned from New York, where he went to confer with Mr. Bell, superintendent of foreign mails at Washington, on behalf of the American government regarding the establishment of a parcel post service between Canada and the United States. All arrangements were satisfactorily concluded and only await the proper signatures. The proposed service will be inaugurated on January 1. There has been no previous arrangement covering this class of reading matter.

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The weather indications for New York, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are: Warmer, fair weather, light to fresh variable winds.



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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.35, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.25, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.55, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.45, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 6.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9.29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.43, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.41, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m, 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

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Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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A FATAL BLIZZARD.

Several Lives Lost and Great Suffering in Western Kansas.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—Great suffering and several deaths are reported from the western part of the state.

L. C. Clark, living near Golden, was frozen to death while going for coal, and his wife and three children nearly perished.

A widow named Mrs. Riley and her two little children perished in the storm of Monday night near Dighton, Lane county. They were without fuel and the storm came so suddenly upon them that they were unable to get it.

There are also reports of great suffering in Clark county, on the Indian Territory line. A family of four were traveling overland, and being but 10 miles from home and several miles from any other house, determined to reach home that night in spite of the terrible storm. The horses were overcome and the family was obliged to abandon the horses and wagon and walk to the nearest house.

A 2 year old child froze to death in its father's arms before shelter was reached, and others were also badly frozen.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 23.—In the recently organized county of Perkins the death of a man and boy is reported. They were attempting to make their ranch, 20 miles from Ogalalla, when the storm overpowered them. Both were frozen to death. Another man named John Grant, who had been on railroad construction work, on the Black Hills extension of the Burglington and Missouri River road, was found dead a mile out from camp.

TUCSON, A. T., Dec. 23.—Snow fell in several points in Arisona yesterday. This is almost a phenomenon.

Disturbed by Strange Sounds.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 23.—The arrival of two new servant girls at the Episcopal rectory, on Rock street, two weeks ago, has been followed by a series of strange occurrences in the house, which have caused much annoyance to the family and have proved too much for a volunteer committee of investigation from the parish to solve. The disturbance consists of rapping in different parts of the house on the ceilings, walls and doors; rattling and breaking of crockery and ringing of bells. The raps are described as similar to those produced by mediums and spiritualists assert that one of the new servant girls must be a medium. Rector Smith has occupied the rectory for about two years, and these are the first disturbances of the kind during that time. He declined to make any statement, but admitted that rappings were heard in the house that could not be accounted for. Members of the church are equally reticent, but are evidently mystified.

A Fierce Battle for Life.

ST. IGNACE, Mich., Dec. 23.—John Bernoit on returning to his home at Lake Nippissing found the lake partially covered with ice, but had an axe in his canoe and with it chopped a channel for the boat, making fair progress until the tool slipped from his hand into the water. It was very cold, and, realizing that it meant death to stay where he was, he crawled upon the ice and tried to make his way over it to the shore.

It broke with him, however, and he was obliged to swim, but he persevered and had come within twenty feet of the shore when his strength gave out. His wife, who had come down to meet him, boldly ventured out and succeeded in pulling him upon the ice and endeavored to drag him to the house, but was unable and he died in the presence of the horrified woman.

The Order of United Workmen.

SCRANTON, Dec. 22.—Grand Master Workman William A. Dongan of the Ancient Order of United Workmen was in Scranton this week. He said that their are now 196,000 members of the order in the United States and Canada. "Whenever a state has 200 members," he said, "a grand lodge is formed, having charge of all the subordinate lodges in the state. Whenever a member dies the order pays $2,000 to his family without any delay or expense, that amount being raised by assessing each member. No large fund is accumulated to be invested or controlled by any man or set of men. The order has grown very fast during the last year, and the indications are that there will be 300,000 of united workmen at the end of 1888."

Downs Back-Salary Suit.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Tabor set everybody talking in the Downs back-salary suit yesterday by turning her back on her late husband as he sat in the chair next to her own. She was on the stand yesterday morning, but testified to nothing of consequence. Sexton Tarbell, of the church, swore that the bunting on the lounge in Downes's study was a myth. The direct evidence seems to be about all in and the arguments will probably begin about Monday.

Burglars Captured by Villagers.

ERIE, Penn., Dec 23.—Four burglars visited Waterford Wednesday night. A vigilance committee was organized at a late hour and in a running street fight three of the theives were captured. One of these escaped, joining the fourth, who was wounded. The two who were secured give their names as J. R. Comstock, of Philadelphia, and William Wilson, of Toronto.

Strike of Miners Expected.

SHARON, Penn., Dec. 23.—One week ago delegates from the coal mines in Mercer and Butler counties demanded an advance of ten cents a ton, which would bring them up to the Columbus scale, and asked that in the event of the operators refusing this that the matter be settled by arbitration. As neither proposition has yet been accepted the united miners will begin a general strike at once.

A Large Claim.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Maria Burton has established in the courts of the the city of Mexico her right to lands in Lower California, known as Ensenada De Todos Santos, under an old grant. The question involves $3,000,000 worth of property, which it is now asserted has been sold to others by the International company of Mexico, and includes a portion of the town of Ensenada.

Hard After the Democratic Convention.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—At a meeting of the Andrew Jackson league, held here, Justice Prindiville's committee, appointed to endeavor to have the national democratic convention held here, reported progress and said a strong delegation would start for Washington January 17 and make a vigorous fight for the convention.

Mayor Edmunds Acquitted.

CAPE MAY, Dec. 23.—The trial of Mayor J. Henry Edmunds of this city for attempted bribery of members of council in an effort to sell the city water works to a private individual in 1886 which began in the Cape May county court Wednesday, resulted in a verdict of acquittal.

CHINESE IN NEW YORK.

How Gotham's Fourteen Mongolian Women Live.

Celestial Cookery and Domestic Life—An American Lady's Visit to Madam Lee Chick San Chong—Hen-Pecked Orientals.

So far as known there are only fourteen Chinese women in New York City, writes Nelly Bly, in the Philadelphia *Press*. Of these, nine are married, one is a widow, one an unmarried girl, one a nurse and two anonyma. Although residents of the United States, they obey to the very letter the strange system of law and custom which obtains in the Flowery Kingdom, a system which strongly resembles the treatment of the queen bee in an apiary by her drones and workers. The moment she marries, the Mongolian damsel becomes the property of her husband—a little more so than they do in America. Her spouse has the privilege, as all husbands the world over, to chide, scold and chastise her for her faults, and they assert that in cases of grave crime he has the right to kill her. In his punishment he may put her on what we would call bread and water diet, keep her locked up in a bed-room, closet or cellar, or beat her with his hand or a bamboo rod.

In New York the Chinese family lives in the same flat or building as that in which the pater familias does business. To the wife are allotted one, two or three rooms, according to his wealth. From these she practically never stirs. Either her husband or servant does all the marketing and shopping. Still worse, she must not receive calls from the other sex, excepting in rare cases when the husband presents an intimate friend. On such an occasion the visitor bows repeatedly, shakes his own hand vigorously for a minute or two, utters the usual stereotyped remarks about the health of herself, family, cousin and friends, and departs without once having looked at her face. She goes to no places of amusement and never walks upon the street. She reads but little, and that love stories, love poems and religious books. But she can generally cook, weave, crochet, embrother and "keep house" miraculously.

A dinner with Mo Kee, a leading importer and banker at No. 8 Mott street, or with Fuong Hong Long at No. 5 is an event which will bear comparison with a banquet at Delmonico's or the Hoffman House. The wife will take a dozen eggs, pierce them at either end, blow out the contents, refill them with vari-colored and vari-flavored custards and jellies, seal the apertures and then when cooked paint the shells until they are a nightmare of dragons, flying griffins and impossible trees that look like men and men that look like trees. She will open and steam a fish until the skin can be removed without losing a scale and the bones without breaking the flesh. It is stuffed with an aromatic and pungent mass of meats and spices. Then the skin is put back and the eyes and head touched up so as to be half natural and half grotesque. Most of her culinary genius is expended on stews and made dishes. Here she uses every article known to the Persian chief and President Blackford, of the Ichtheophagous Club, and a host of food substances, spices and condiments, for which there are no names in any of the European languages.

Her skill in weaving and embroidering silk is equally great. With a needle no finer than which her occidental sister uses she will construct a dragon an inch long and a half inch high, of which not only the teeth, eyes and claws are perfect, but even the pupil, iris and cornea and the difference between the incisors and canines are clearly and naturally defined.

Lee Chick San Chong, a merchant at 26 Mott street, captured by my smiles, consented to introduce me to his wife. His store was in the basement and his wife lived on the first floor above. I followed my guide through a dirty, uncarpeted hall to a door at the farthest end. He rapped rather vigorously with his knuckles on the portal, which had no outside knob or latch. After awhile it was unlocked on the inside, he pushed it open and we stood on the inside. Almost in the rear of the room, with some sewing in her hand, stood the woman I had come to see. She smiled at her husband and looked at me without fear or surprise, but as a babe looks at a new object held before its innocent eyes. Lee Chick San Chong spoke to her in his peculiar language, and then turning to me said: "My wife." Another moment and the little brown fingers covered with rings were clasped in my gloved hand and we were looking at each other as only two women can.

A little woman, no more than five feet high, with the blackest of eyes, which were larger and more open than those of the average Chinaman. She had the typical Mongolian face, with a complexion that from the exclusion of sunlight resembled bleeched golded wax. Her blue black hair was combed back without a part, dressed over the ears like a half oyster shell and down the back of the head in a long oblong puff. Gold rings kept it in place, but it had the appearance of being soaped to make it smooth and stiff. The forehead was extremely high, and the eyebrows had a habitually surprised curve. The cheeks were round, dotted with charming dimples, the nose a little inclined to flatness, but withal piquant, the teeth exquisitely white and beautifully shaped, and the lips either artificially dyed or naturally a rich carmine. With the air and look of childish innocence, Mrs. San Chong was not bad to look at.

"Is your wife satisfied?" I asked Lee Chick. "No, she is not. She is perfectly happy in her home life, having no other desire, but she is childless, the greatest affliction that can befall a Chinese wife." Lee Chick is also very much dissatisfied at the rate his family refuses to increase. After trying unsuccessfully to adopt some American child, he has decided to take his wife back to China and leave her there. He will then procure himself another. He has already one wife in China and two children, but she refuses to come to America. Lee Chick wants an American for number three, and he made the writer a proposal. He was told that Americans were allowed but one wife, and that if they were found to have one in Brooklyn and another in Harlem they would get into serious trouble. "Two wives in one room in China no trouble," was his reply. This is inconceivable, but it is true. With all their addition in wives, divorce and infidelity are very rare. We drank a social cup of tea from china cups about twice the size of a thimble, and after wishing one another a "Kung He Fa Toi," the equivalent of "I wish you great prosperity," the interview was over. It would seem that women never wear the breeches in the Celestial Empire, but when I asked Lee Chick, he sighed and said that there were just as many hen-pecked husbands in the Orient "Allee samee Amelika."

A Silver-Mounted Leg.

There is a young man in Hartford, Conn., who has had the bone of one of his legs mended with a silver rivet, and will soon be out on crutches.

A Dudish Texas Editor.

A Texas country paper announces: "The editor put on his hard-boiled shirt and scissor-tailed coat, and split the wind for Dallas Tuesday."

A FEW CHURCH NOTES.

THERE are, it is estimated, ten million church members in this country.

THERE are in this country and Canada over eleven hundred Young Men's Christian Associations.

MEXICO is fixed upon as the city in which a General Assembly of Evangelical Missions is to be held in January, 1888.

WALES is said to be the most Protestant country in the whole world. There is not a known Welsh-speaking congregation in existence.

REV. CHARLES D. TENNEY, a missionary of the American Board to China, has been appointed private tutor to the sons of Viceroy Li Hang Chung.

THE Y. M. C. A. of Liverpool have the largest gymnasium in the world. In it hundreds of street boys are trained in the use of their muscles.

A FLEET of five vessels is employed by the London Missionary Society between stations in Africa and Polynesia. The young people raise the money for their support.

MISSIONARIES in Dakota and Montana report receipts for their work to have reached in one month the sum of $23,197.81, and the number of Bibles issued for six months at 1,503,987 copies.

IN a building erected in Tokio, Japan, for the purpose of delivering lectures hostile to Christianity, an audience of fifteen hundred recently assembled to hear a sermon by an American minister.

WOOSTER, O., has the oldest Reformed minister in the world in the person of Rev. D. Kemmerer, who is eighty-six years of age, and recently celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his wedding.

AMERICAN missionaries are arrested, fined and misused by the Spanish authorities in the Caroline Islands. The Protestant churches and schools are also closed and all Protestant property confiscated.

THERE is a new missionary movement afoot in Germany among so-called advanced theologians, who have an organization the object of which is to avail itself of the elements of culture and morality found in educated heathens, and on this basis build up a Christian culture according to advanced ideas.

THE "ragged Sunday-schools" are becoming an important factor in London. They are increasing in number and widening in influence. Late statistics show no less than 40,000 scholars and 4,000 teachers. They are the great means by which the poor boys and girls of that vast metropolis are being reached and improved, and through which moral ideas are communicated and Christian influences are thrown around them.

A GRIST OF GRINS.

BIG words in a short letter are like large bones in a small skin; they are too prominent.

AN enthusiast on the subject of flowers expressed a desire to obtain some "Christian anthems."

SANDY accepted the gude wife's invitation with the reservation: "If I am spared." "Weel, weel," said the lady, "if ye're dead I'll not expect ye."

A HORSE-DOCTOR has no show in this world; it is only the veterinary surgeon who can with impunity, and that "hossy" odor, enter the ranks of the "very best."

THE fellow who was telling how he had seen a barn swallow was somewhat taken down by another fellow who said he could show him a cow's lip that grew without any roots.

TOMMY—"Say, Bobby, did you ever see a chicken-hawk?" Bobby—"Well, I should say I did! One of our chickens swallered a straw the other day, an' the way that chicken hawked would raise the hide on a alligater!"

IT is thought that the people of New Zealand are of a lively temperament, and are possessed of an unusual amount of vigor. This may be accounted for by the fact that they always have New Zealand air, which is said to be very invigorating.

A WOMAN need never fear being out of work. She has always got work. When she wants to lay off a short while, she need have no fear of her work running off, it will always be right there waiting for her. It is the man who has to stick to his job or he is apt to lose it.

SOME ministers are complaining against the facetious newspaper paragraph, which is seriously interfering with their annual supply of slippers. When this paragraphic joking becomes so pointed as to necessitate a minister's buying his slippers, something should be heard to drop.

THE wife of a Parisian, returning home, rang at her own door. Nobody came, so she rang again. Still nobody appeared. Finally, at a louder and longer ring, the man-servant concluded to show himself. "Pray, are you deaf?" said the lady. "I beg pardon, madame," said he tranquilly, "but I heard only the third ring."

FROM ALL SOURCES.

THE buyer of a large Cincinnati tobacco house, who is paid $10,000 a year to know good tobacco when he sees it, neither smokes nor chews.

A STREET gamin unhooked the clasp on the door of the "Black Maria" while going along the streets of Boston recently and eight prisoners escaped before the driver knew what was going on.

A FRENCH woman living at Lathrop, Mo., gave birth to twins Tuesday, their combined weight being two pounds and twelve ounces. They are regarded as great curiosities. The little ones occupy two cigar boxes as cradles. Both are very lively, and are expected to live.

THERE is living in Buffalo a young man who has a young wife. She has an insurmountable hobby. Whenever she gets a new dress she insists that he shall have a necktie made of the same cloth. He thinks so much of her that he can't help carrrying out her wishes. He has plenty of nice neckwear.

A PANTHER six feet long, weighing two hundred pounds, pounced down with a yell upon an engineer while in his cab near Minden, Neb., Sunday night. The animal boarded the train while at a standstill. The fireman dazed the brute with a wrench and the engineer shot him with a revolver. Both men were badly injured.

EVIDENCES of immoral traffic in Chinese women for San Francisco are being found. This week an old hag brought over a score of women from China and was arrested for perjury in trying to get them through the custom-house. The old procuress was bailed by two wealthy Chinese merchants, suspected of being her partners in the trade.

A NEGRO boy was recently born in Florida whose color was distinctly divided, representing the white and black races. One side from the center of its forehead down is as black as coal, while the other is equally white and fair. Another monstrous freak of Dame Nature is shown by the fact that the Caucasian side has thick lips and flat nose, kinky hair, and black eyes, in fact, all the African characteristics, while the dark side has fair and good features, blue eyes, and soft, silky hair. Its arrival created a terrible hubbub in the settlement, and then the negroes were inclined to regard it as an omen of evil.

ALL ABOUT SPONGES.

Where and How These Queer Animals Live and Grow.

The Different Qualities Known to Dealers and the Prices They Command in America's Leading Markets—How Cheap Goods are Doctored.

Although an article commonly used very little is known by the general public about the production of the sponge. The facts concerning it are interesting and instructive, and show some strange features in the lower forms of animal life.

A New York *Telegram* reporter visited a well-known importer of sponges exclusively, and obtained from him the necessary information regarding the manufacture of sponges, the extent of the industry, and many other points about them not generally known. He said:

"I can not tell you when the sponge was first used in this world, but it has been known ever since the Christian era began. American sponges were first used in this city by the old Dutch settlers, and the Greeks introduced the Mediterranean sponges here thirty-five years ago by hawking them about the streets, since which time the trade has grown into millions of dollars annually, and the industry is an important one."

"Is the sponge of vegetable or animal growth?" asked the reporter.

"An exhaustive scientific discussion in this city a few years ago resulted in the conclusion that the sponge is of animal growth, in its original state, of the lowest type, and resembles the blow fish in its appearance. It is first taken from the water with a pulpy flesh on, and it is laid on the shore and covered with rushes until the sun burns the flesh off. Then it is 'cradled' in salt water. The bleaching is done by the use of magnate of potash, and afterward the sponge is placed in oxalic and muriatic acids, next washed in salt water, and finally tinged or colored with a solution of common washing soda."

"Where and how are they first obtained?"

"Off the Florida Keys in this country, around the islands of the West Indies and in the Mediterranean Sea, principally in the Greek and Turkish archipelagoes. The natives dive for them, sometimes in forty fathoms of water, where the finest cup sponges are found. These divers are very short-lived, and in five or six years become deaf, blind and rheumatic, unless eaten by sharks, as is sometimes the case. The natives run their own vessels. It is untrue that the sponge dealers own and manage the fleets of small craft used in sponge fishing, as is generally claimed, for it is a notorious fact that the native divers, after getting their vessels well provisioned, will not work, but will lazily fool about until their supplies of food are exhausted, when they will fish until a good cargo is obtained, and then dispose of it on the outer islands. Every vessel is manned by from five to six men, who live on fruit and drink wine, and are very fond of the society of women."

"What are the different grades of sponges?"

"Our Florida sea coast supplies the sheeps' wool, velvet, grass and reef sponges. From Nassau we get the sheeps' wool, but it is not as strong as the Florida article, though much like it and with larger pores, and also the grass, velvet, reef and wire sponges, but the latter is not sold to use; the Mediterranean sponge, called the Turkish bath sponge in this country and the honeycomb in Europe. They are brought here in the natural state and bleached. We also receive from the same source the silk, surgeons', large cup, eye cup, toilet and Zamocka sponges. The dealers in New York, London, Hamburg and Trieste do the bleaching."

"Has any attempt been made to grow sponges in this vicinity?"

"In 1880 it was tried at Bowery Bay beach, on Long Island, but proved a failure."

"Where do you receive the finest sponges from?"

"The Greek archipelago — the cup sponges."

"What are the principal markets?"

"New York for all grades, and London, Hamburg and Trieste for Turkish goods. Nassau has an exchange for the sponge trade, and, in fact, it is the principal business of that place. In this city there are six importing houses, and the aggregate value of their trade is from $4,000,000 to $8,000,000 annually. There are five or six jobbers besides who buy in the market here."

"What are the prices of the different grades?"

"Florida sheep's wool sells from $2.75 to $3 by the bale of from 20 to 100 pounds; velvet is from 20 cents to $1.50 per pound by the bale; grass is from 35 to 75 cents a pound by the bale, and reef from $1.35 to $1.50 by the bale. Of the foreign sponges the Nassau product is sold for 30 per cent. less than the Florida goods. There is a duty of 20 per cent. on all foreign sponges. Mediterranean bath sponges are sold from 6 cents to $5 apiece, cups from 75 cents to $15 apiece, Zamockas from 6 cents to 75 cents each, surgeons' from $1.50 a string of fifty pieces to $5, and eye cups from 25 cents to 75 cents each.

"The only sponges used in the hospitals are the small surgeon and abdominal, and they are being displaced by the absorption cotton. The article manufactured now for medical use is what is called a sponge tent, made of reef sponges and used for cleaning out wounds and in obstetrical cases."

"What is done with the clippings from sponges?"

"They are used in filling mattresses, and have been found by railroad companies to be better than cotton waste for packing journal-boxes."

"Are there any tricks in the trade?"

"Yes. Sponges are easily 'doctored' by unscrupulous dealers. Common grass sponges are bleached and put on the market as Turkish goods. Houses of this sort are called 'skin' concerns. Even druggists can not detect the cheat, and the customer is, of course, easily deceived by the appearance of the sponge, but a trial soon demonstrates an inferior grade of sponge."

Only a Gigantic Slag.

Visitors at Aix-la-Chapelle may remember the great iron mass, estimated to weigh nearly four tons, in the court-yard of the Polytechnikum, which used to be shown to strangers as one of the curiosities of the city. It was believed to be an ancient and very remarkable meteorite. A recent examination by Prof. Arzruni has reduced it to the rank of mere slag, and shown that it is only a gigantic slag which had accumulated at the bottom of a primitive smelting furnace. But when it came into existence can not be guessed. It was first brought to light in 1762, when a new street was being laid out, and in clearing the site this great mass was found in the soil.

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BY THE WAY.

—On Monday the tin horn brigade will be out in all its glory.

—Christmas afternoon and evening there will be skating at The Crescent.

—Most of the public school teachers will spend their holiday vacation, out of the city.

—Many family gatherings have been arranged both in this city and North Plainfield, for Christmas day.

—Mr. Henry Liefke, the baker, presented each of his customers with a handsome Christmas cake yesterday.

—To-morrow is Hospital Sunday. At the churches of some of our readers, collections for Muhlenburg will be taken up.

—The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of New Brunswick, will give the poor children of the city a Christmas dinner.

—Today the glassblowers will complete their second weeks' engagement in this city. They will continue to exhibit until after Christmas.

—All of our merchants report doing a splendid holiday trade and are much pleased thereat, especially the enterprising ones who advertise.

—Monday, being designated as the time to observe Christmas, our employees will be given a holiday and consequently no paper will be issued from this office.

—The members of Local Assembly, No. 6386, of this city, are requested to attend a meeting of the Assembly on Tuesday, Dec. 27th, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. Business of importance will then be transacted.

—Thanksgiving day at The Crescent, every one of the 300 pair of skates was rented. Arrangements have since been made whereby an increased supply will be on hand for next Monday's reopening.

—The needy persons of this city who will call at Mr. Geo. A. Moore's butcher shop on North avenue, this afternoon and evening, will be supplied with enough fish for their breakfast to-morrow morning.

—Persons should beware of parties traveling about the country selling everything from bibles to clothing. When you buy of a home merchant you know who you are dealing with, and can obtain redress if swindled.

—In nearly all of the churches to-morrow, a feature of the services will be the music, arranged especially for the occasion. The Sunday exercises in the various churches, were noted in detail in THE PRESS of Tuesday.

—Prof. H. H. Ragan concluded his series of illustrated lectures at Music Hall, on Thursday evening. The lectures throughout have been instructive and entertaining, and the attendance at each of them was very good.

—The inconsistency of removing the snow from the gutters along narrow streets, and depositing the same in the roadway; is apparent on Park avenue, where the Street Commissioner caused the snow to be removed from the gutters, and yesterday had his men chopping it from the roadbed. To avoid this the snow should be removed in carts.

—Lovers of live bird shooting will have an opportunity to test their skill at Campbell's Club House, on Monday. 500 live birds will be popped over or escape during the day, and at one p. m., Messrs. Ellis Campbell and Andrew Lutkins will shoot at fifteen live birds each, for $25 a side, the conditions of the match to be according to Hurlingham rules.

—The confectioners and candy manufacturers in town have been experiencing a very brisk trade during the past week. The latter have been compelled to work day and night, in order to meet the increased demand, and in some instances the demand has been so great that candies which have heretofore been made at home, were purchased at wholesale in New York, and sold at retail here.

—Skating, Christmas, at The Crescent.

—We wish our reader a Merry Christmas.

—Weather permitting, the toboggan slide will be open all Monday.

—A few-weeks-old pig will be raffled off at Miller's Hotel this evening.

—The post office will be closed on Monday next (Christmas Day) after 10 o'clock a. m.

—The work of erecting the street lamps in North Plainfield commenced this morning.

—The young men's meetings of the Y. M. C. A., for the next two weeks, will be held on Tuesday, instead of Monday evening.

—The soap manipulator is again making his periodical visit in this city, decorating the show windows with artistical designs.

—Our telegrapic dispatches inform us that during this month in Ecuador the heat has been exceedingly intense—registering 130 degrees above zero.

—The raffle for the two-seat leather top family carriage which was to have taken place at No. 12 Park avenue, this evening, has been postponed for one week.

—The rooms of the Y. M. C. A. will be open as usual on Monday. All young men are invited to use the reading matter and other privileges of the association.

—The Somerville Jail now has twelve occupants, two of whom are the supposed car robbers arrested at Bound Brook last week, and the others are serving from five to eighty days each for being drunk and disorderly.

—Services in the Park Avenue Baptist church to-morrow, preaching by the pastor, Rev. Asa Reed Dilts, at 10:30 a. m., and 7:45 p. m. "Some Things seen and Heard in Bethlehem" will furnish the morning theme.

—Jay Gould, at shaving notes,
Won the means for *table d'otes*,
For vases, bric-a-brac and Persian rugs.
And at shaving art yourself,
You might hoard a share of pelf,
If you're sure to go to Collier's for the mugs.

—Venturesome youths insist on risking their lives by skating on Tier's Lake. Mr. Tier informs us that he is actually afraid some one will be drowned in the Lake, as the ice is not thick enough to bear the great weight of skaters upon it.

—In the Trinity Reformed church to-morrow, the services will be appropriate to the Christmas season. The pastor, Rev. Cornelius Schenck, will preach in the morning on "The Archangel's Announcement." In the evening there will be interesting exercises by the children of the Sabbath School.

—The special illustrated reading for Christmas in this issue of THE PRESS, has been selected with a care for the tastes of all. We would call particular attention to Julia H. Thayer's poem, "The Unspeakable Gift," and also ask a brief moment's time in considering the lessons in "Brown's New Year's Vow."

—The *Evening Snooze* of last night copied from THE PRESS of the day before—besides less important items—the late meeting of the Board of Education and the sad deaths of two well known residents—putting one of the latter notices under "State Notes" in its "Exclusive-Telegraph-Franchise" column.

—For several days past a man well-known in this community has stationed himself on Front street, in the vicinity of Somerset street, and made himself obnoxious to pedestrians, especially ladies, by bowing and raising his hat to every female who chances to pass. Officer Lynch was informed of the matter and threatened the man with arrest, if he continued his antics. The offender, it is said, is a little "off."

—For the past three days, including to-day, the morning express train from New York has brought to this city a full car-load of merchandise. Most of the stuff consists of presents, and some of the packages and boxes are very heavy. The train is delayed fifteen or twenty minutes at the depot, waiting for the goods to be unloaded, and the expressmen are kept out late in the evening delivering them.

—One man, a commercial traveler by occupation, left the city yesterday morning, minus his overcoat. Constable Smith levied on the coat at the hotel where he was stopping, the night before, to satisfy a doctor bill of $13 and costs. Judgment was entered by Justice Nodyne on Dec. 2d, and the execution was issued on the 12th instant. The owner of the coat, it is said, refused stone blank to pay the bill, and became indignant when the doctor asked him for the amount.

—The Music Hall Association again deserves the thanks of its patrons for refusing to advance the price of the best seats to $1.50. The firm stand taken by the management has induced the manager of Mrs. James Brown Potter to consent to the following prices for New Year's Eve., Saturday next: All seats down stairs, $1; all seats in balcony, prices as usual, i. e. 50 and 75 cents; admission 50 cents. This is the first time that Mrs. Potter has consented to play to these prices.

Christmas Church Services.

In Tuesday's PRESS will be found the order of Christmas Day services in all the churches, as well as the date of the Sunday school exercises during the coming week. Thursday we published the programme of music for to-morrow morning in the Congregational church. The following are the Sunday services to be held in the First Baptist church:

MORNING SERVICE.

Pastorate, Chorate, } *From Christmas Oratorio,* { Bach.
Invocation.
Hymn.
Scripture Lesson.
Prayer.
Anthem,—"Sing, O Daughter of Zion."—Gadsby.
Sermon.
Prayer.
Offertory, Largo. Handel.
Hymn.
Chant, "Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace."
Benediction.
Postlude, "Halleiujah." Handel.

In the afternoon there will be singing of hymns, carols and responsive readings by the Sunday school of this church. The Rev. W. D. McClintock, Registrar of the Chautauqua University, will make an address. The organ selections will be particularly beautiful.

Christmas Day services will be held in Grace church to-morrow. There will be early celebration at 7:30 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon by the rector, Rev. Dean Rodman at 10:30, with second celebration of the Holy Communion. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Evening prayer at 4:30. The church has been beautifully decorated with evergreens, in anticipation of the great festival. The children's festival will be held on Wednesday (Holy Innocents' Day) the 28th instant, at 7:30 p. m. Following is the musical programme for to-morrow:

Opening Voluntary.
Hymn 25—Adeste Fidelis.....
Versicles and Responses.
Venite Exultemus.....Turner.
Te Deum.....Krtzschmar.
Benedictus.....Willson.
Creed with Responses
Hymn 17—"Hark the Herald" etc.....
Kyrie Eleison.....Warren.
Gloria Tibi.....Warren.
Hymn 23—"Shout the glad tidings"...Williams.
Offertory—"Glory to God in the highest"..Cook.
Trisagron and Sanctus.....Warren.
Hymn 209—"Bread of Heaven."
Gloria in Excelsis.....Gregorian.
Nunc Dimittis.....Barnby.
Postlude.

The following is the special programme of music that will be rendered in the Congregational church, to-morrow morning, by a quartette composed of Mrs. Samuel Collins, Miss Julia Ketcham, and Messrs. E. E. and F. W. Runyon:

"Hark, What Mean Those Holy Voices?" [Gounod.
Gloria in Excelsis, in E flat.....Fred. Schilling.
Te Deum Laudamus, in A.....Fay.
Anthem, in F—"There were Shepherds" [Holden.
Anthem—"Let Your Mingling Voices Rise" [Holden.

In the above church in the evening, there will be a Sunday School Christmas Carol service.

To-morrow morning, in the First Presbyterian church, there will be special singing by a selected choir under the direction of Mr. E. St. John the organist. Those who will take part in the rendition of the selections are the Misses Petrie, Miss Beulah Ketcham, Miss Radford and Mr. R. J. Shaw. There will be a special sermon by the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Ketcham, and responsive readings and singing by the congregation.

An Intense Drama.

This is what "Nym Crinkle," the greatest of New York's dramatic critics, says of the second act of "Forgiven," the play in which Frederic Bryton appears at Music Hall, next Monday evening: "When he came on in the second act and discovered the bosom friend that he had trusted in the act of poisoning the mind of the wife he adored, there was a minute of superb suspense. Every muscle and nerve in him was wrought to a painful tension. Half crouching, you expected to see him spring like a tiger over all obstacles to that man's throat. His black eyes flash; the great wronged heart of him swelled in his throat; his white teeth gleamed. It was only a moment. Then the man took the place of the outraged animal. He drew himself up. He would not kill his unarmed enemy then and there. 'Go,' he said, and he pointed to the door. 'But, remember, arm yourself, for when we meet again I kill you on sight.' Fancy the wave of expectation that runs through your parquet when these men do meet again after years have passed."

A Record to be Proud Of.

Dog-catcher and Special Policeman Jas. Babbitt, is entitled to the belt, and all other hunters in this section of the country should take a back seat after reading James' record during the "open season." Since Nov. 1st, when the game law expired, up to date, he has killed 196 rabbits, 46 quail and 19 partridges. He still expects to pop over a dozen or so cotton tails befors the season closes.

—The final meeting of the City Council for the year 1887 will be held on the evening of Friday, Dec. 30th.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mrs. James Lancey and son of Putnam street are expected home from Europe today.

Mr. Geo. W. Moore of this city is spoken of for Deputy-Warden at the County Jail.

Mr. David Atwood is at home from the Dental College, Philadelphia, to spend the holiday week with his parents.

Mr. Charles Trotter of Chatham street, North Plainfield, received his Christmas present yesterday morning. It's a girl.

Miss Mabel Brooks has returned from boarding school, to spend the holiday vacation at her home on West Seventh street.

Mrs. R. P. Penfield of Plainfield avenue, one of the most active and efficient temperance workers in the State, was the giver of the napery for the communion service in the Bethel Mission.

On the end of a delicately balanced rod, Mr. M. M. Thorn has hung a vacuum lamp which rises or lowers in accordance with the density of the atmosphere. Thus clear or stormy weather is prognosticated.

Mr. and Mrs. Elden, of Bailey's Island, Maine, accompanied by their daughter, *one of the most admired of society ladies* of the East, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hazell of Duer street, the Borough. Mrs. Hazell is also a daughter of Mrs. Elden.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Wilton Randolph, took place from the house on Woodland avenue, at half-past four o'clock this afternoon. Rev. Dean Rodman officiated. This evening the remains will be taken to Richmond, Va., the former home of the deceased.

Mr. Whitfield French, of Washingtonville, has leased the new building on E. Fourth street, recently erected by Mr. Morgan Bird, and will there open on Jan. 1st, a wholesale and retail flour and feed store. Mr. French has already taken up his residence on E. Fifth street.

Mr. George Thatcher was so unfortunate as to lose his valued pet sky terrier dog "Fussy," on Thursday evening last, between this city and his home at Westfield. The animal had an orange colored ribbon around its neck. Mr. Thatcher will liberally reward the finder of the dog.

The appointment of Miss Emma Adams as Librarian of the Public Library, will meet the approval of all its patrons. During her months of service as Assistant of the resigned Librarian, she has fitted herself completely for the position, and proven herself capable of succeeding him.

Mrs. A. D. Shepard gave a dinner to a select few of her friends at her home, "The Gables," Scotch Plains, on Thursday evening. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Smith of Netherwood, Miss Wotherspoon of New York, Col. Robert S. Green, Jr., of Elizabeth and Dr. C. M. Field of this city.

Mr. Tyler's Resignation.

Mr. Arthur W. Tyler, for the past two years in charge of the Public Library, has been appointed Dean of the College for the Training of Teachers, under the auspices of the Industrial Education Association, at No. 9 University Place, New York. The duties of Mr. Tyler's new position begin with the opening of the next term, on the 3d of January. The Board of Trustees, Thursday evening, in accepting Mr. Tyler's resignation with regret, passed resolutions published by us in full yesterday, sincerely commending his efficiency and faithful service in placing Plainfield's Library at the head of public libraries in the State. The community, however, will feel his loss in many ways in which he cannot be replaced. In all departments of classics, ancient and modern works, and the literature of arts and sciences, Mr. Tyler was thoroughly informed, and every patron of the Library was always sure to find him entirely able and willing to furnish any reference or information that could be desired. By our loss, the College of Training gains a thorough scholar who will add incalculably to the results it aims to accomplish.

Reform Club Notes.

Rev. Mr. McClintick, Registrar for the C. L. S. C., is announced as the speaker to address the Reform Club meeting to-morrow evening.

On thursday of next week, Dec. 29th, Rev. W. R. Richards, pastor of the Crescent Avenue church, will deliver in Reform Hall the fourth in the series of free lectures, given under the auspices of the Reform Club.

—Mr. J. Hervey Doane, the Park avenue jeweler, calls attention to his elegant line of gold and silver watches, clocks, rings, breastpins, earrings, etc., all suitable for holiday presents, at prices which, he claims, defy competition.

On Sunday, Jan. 1st, Col. George W. Bain, the celebrated temperance advocate from Kentucky, will speak at Reform Hall, and on the following Thursday evening, Jan. 5th, the public installation of the newly elected officers will take place, followed by a collation.

Not the Star of Bethlehem.

Last Summer when the brilliant and beautiful evening star, Venus, the queen of the starry heavens, hovered so near the Western horizon, a local scribe advanced the information that instead of it being venus, Edison had sent up an electric light as an experiment. The writer of the article which held that the bright light in the West was simply an electric light suspended from a balloon, knows about as much of astronomy as a cow does of Heaven. THE PRESS ridiculed the statement at the time, and truthfully informed its readers, that the light was none other than Venus, in all her brilliancy, and ere a few months elapsed, she would appear as a morning star. Refering to the star in the West, THE PRESS of August 10th said: "The star in question is the planet Venus, and there is no more doubt on the subject than there is that the bright body which furnishes light and heat to the earth by day is the sun. * * * In a short time she will disappear from the Western sky, but will soon thereafter be visable to anyone who will take the trouble to look Eastward from their chamber window before sunrise." At length, however, she was given all the credit due to her marvelous brilliancy, and shortly afterward she disappeared. Now she is a morning star, and being near the earth (in inferior conjunction), she shines with even greater splendor. But again an effort is being made to rob her of the respect and love that is her due by calling her the "Star of Bethlehem." Any one who chances to look in the East during the early morning hours, will get a beautiful view of Venus. The best view can be had just before daybreak, and is well worth staying up all night to witness it. Prof. Merriman, one of Rutger's able astronomers, thus describes the Star of Bethlehem:

"Three hundred years ago a bright star appeared in the north, which was said to have appeared once every three hundred years since the birth of Christ. But it could not have been the mysterious Star of Bethlehem, as we are told that that bright wanderer came and stood over the place where Christ was. It was without doubt a miraculous appearance that will not be repeated. If the supposed Star of Bethlehem returns it will appear near the North Star, in the constellation Cassiopeia." Those who are at all interested to know where to look for the "Star of Bethlehem" if it should reappear can easily learn. First find the "Dipper." Draw a line from it to the poll star and extend it about the same distance beyond. It will then reach Cassiopeia, which is also known as the "Old Kitchen Chair" and the "Letter W," because its principal stars form an irregular W. If the "Star of Bethlehem" reappears it will be in or very near to th's W. If it does come it will probably not be as bright as Venus now is, but will be considered of remarkable interest and beauty because it is seen but once in about three centuries.

Meeting of the Board of Health.

Messrs. Geo. W. Rockfellow, Oliver B. Leonard, Stephen A. Ginna, Lemuel W. Serrell and Dr. Penfield, constituting the newly organized Board of Health, met in City Clerk Leonard's office last evening. President Rockfellow was in the Chair and Secretary O. B. Leonard recorded the proceedings of the Board. But little business was transacted outside of preparing the Ordinance under which the Board will work. When the ordinances are adopted, the same will be officially published for the benefit of the public. The various Committees will be appointed at the next meeting on Thursday, to which time the Board adjourned. Heretofore meetings have been held every week, but in the future, when the Board fully enters upon its work, the meetings will be held monthly.

Injured by Falling Ice.

Mrs. William Van Sickle of West Fourth street near Grant avenue was slightly injured while passing along Park avenue, about five o'clock last evening. She was passing the City Hotel at the time, when a miniature snow slide came down upon her, felling her to the ground. Willing hands assisted her into the hotel where she soon recovered sufficiently to go to her father's on East Third street. A severe shock and some slight bruises were the principal injuries. Today she is reported improved. Mrs. Van Sickle's escape from serious injury is considered very fortunate. The sun during the day had loosened the snow and ice on the dorman windows, causing the same to slide off.

The Tax Receipts.

Collector Johnson informs us that the tax receipts thus far have been unusually large. Out of the total tax levy of $95,000 about $79,000 has already been paid in. Of this amount, something like $2,500 has been received at the Collector's office since Tuesday, the 20th instant, when the taxes became delinquent. Last year the total receipts up to the corresponding time this year, was a trifle over $70,000.

Mrs. Roll Gets Possession of Her Other Child.

As stated in THE PRESS of Thursday, an effort was to be made by Mrs. Sarah A. Roll, the wife of James Roll of Westfield, to get possession of her other child, Eva, a girl of eleven years of age. After the preliminary hearing at Westfield on Wednesday, which resulted in holding Roll for the Grand Jury, for an alleged assault upon his wife, Mrs. Roll declared to Prosecutor Wilson that she was afraid to return home as her life was in danger. Her counsel advised her to return to her father's home, with the child, Walter, who accompanied her into court, and there await developments. Instead, however, of going direct to her father's house, Mrs. Roll went to the residence of a Mr. Anthony in Springfield Township, where the father had taken the child for safe keeping, and demanded that the child be surrendered to her. Her request was at first denied, but finally she got possession of the girl and drove off, before her husband returned. On the following day, Thursday, Mrs. Roll consulted her lawyer at Elizabeth, and during the day she returned to her former abode, for the purpose of getting her own clothing and that belonging to the children. Roll was absent, but Elizabeth Woodruff, the woman who has caused all the trouble, and a female companion were in the house. When Mrs. Roll entered the front door, the two women ran out of the rear entrance. The former packed up all her personal effects and took them to her father's, where she and the children are being cared for. The excitement at Westfield over the affair seems to have subsided but little, and Roll's appearance in town is obnoxious to say the least. Those who pretend to know say that trouble has been brewing for a long time, and the initiative step has now been taken toward reaching a climax.

Increased Mail Matter.

The increase in the amount of mail matter received at the post office in this city during the past few days is noticeably large. Each incoming mail has brought to the city Christmas presents in the shape of cards and boxes, which reach their destination through the post office. The outgoing mails are accordingly large, all of which goes to show that the old customs of making presents during the holiday season is still in vogue. This year, however, the mails are not so heavily laden with Christmas cards as in former years, but the majority of the mail matter is merchandise. The foreign money order business for the past few days has also been very brisk. On Thursday, outside of the regular mail matter sent from this city thirteen extra sacks were required to ship the merchandize. Yesterday fifteen additional sacks were required besides the usual number. Besides this there were two extra pouches of first-class mail matter sent out yesterday. Packages of every conceivable shape pass through the post office at this season of the year, some of them containing very valuable gifts, and the sender should use the utmost caution in sealing and directing them, so as to insure a prompt delivery.

Warren Union Mission.

The service at the Warren Mission to-morrow will be interesting to all who attend. The school will meet at 2.30 p. m. A Christmas service of Scripture reading and song called "The True Light," composed by the Rev. Robert Lowry, of our city, has been adopted by the school and is full of good instruction and music. There will also be recitations by some of the scholars and an address to the school by the Rev. Mr Schenck. A cordial invitation is extended to all. The service in the evening will commence at 7:30 o'clock, with a service of song, and will be full of interest.

Christmas Music at Scotch Plains.

The service at All Saints P. E. church, Scotch Plains, on Christmas, will begin at 11 o'clock a. m. The music will be as follows:

"Shout the Glad Tidings".....Avison.
Venite Exultemus.....Langdon.
Gloria Patri.....Elvey.
Te Deum Laudamus.....Bennett.
Benedictus.....Lowes.
Litany Hymn.....Spanish Chant.
"Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices?"...Williams.
Kyrie Elleson.....Elvey.
Gloria Tibi.....Short.
"Hark! Hark! My Soul!".....Dykes.
Offertory. "See amid the Winter's Snow."
Sermon by the Rector and Holy Communion

—The New Year and its usual number of resolutions will soon be here.

—The annual meeting of the New Jersey State Teachers' Association will be held again in the Model School at Trenton this year, on the 28th, 29th and 30th of December. The meeting promises to be one of unusual interest.

—An exchange says there will be six eclipses during the year 1888—three of the sun, two of the moon, and one of the Republican party. This last will be a total eclipse and will occur on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. Visible throughout the United States.

THE UNSPEAKABLE GIFT.

N Bethlehem's inn there was no room
For Christ, the Heavenly child—
Only a manger left for Him—

O men! with sin defiled,
Could you accord unto your Lord
No better place than this
When all for you He willingly
Gave up the realms of bliss?

Professed followers of Him,
Oh! is it so to-day?
Are you, who boast an ardent love,
Always more true than they?
Does the best part of your poor heart
Hold the Redeemer's face,
Or do you only grant to Him
Some mean and lowly place?

Sad, weary shepherd keeping watch
To-night in fields of care,
Look up, and see the shining one,
The glory every where.
"Fear not," he cries, "the glad surprise,
The olden peace I bring,
For unto you again is born
Your Saviour and your King.'

Just as of yore in midnight skies
Appears the angel throng,
And all the starry worlds resound
With bursts of Heavenly song.
What tidings blest of joy and rest!
Shall any turn away,
Refusing still the high command
To find the Christ to-day?

The truly wise, behold they come
Obedient to His star!
O'er hill and plain and raging sea
They gather from afar.
And at His feet pour treasures sweet
That never can grow old,
The best frankincense of the heart,
Its precious myrrh and gold.

—JULIA H. THAYER.

UNDER THE MISTLETOE.

A Search for a Fairy That Proved Fruitless.

GRACE ELLERTON sat with busy fingers and aching head and heart in Madam Moore's dress-making establishment; her fingers were busy with the finishing of an exquisite, fancy costume for Miss Constance Bolton, the belle of the season. Her head and heart were filled with memories of other Christmas Eves, when she, too, had been a belle, and queened it royally in her set. Her father had been wealthy, and the close of her first season in society was marked by her engagment to Walter Harcourt, "a splendid match," the wise ones said. Soon after the betrothal, Mr. Harcourt was obliged to go to Europe. He was detained longer than he expected, but letters were frequent, and Grace was happy in anticipating his return.

The great fire of 1871 swept over her native city, and not only left her family homeless, but well-nigh penniless. Mr. Ellerton made almost superhuman efforts to rescue his dear ones from the devouring flames, and, though he succeeded, it was at the expense of his own life. Kind friends sheltered the homeless ones for the time, and Grace wrote to her lover, telling him of their great loss, and anxiously awaited his reply and speedy return.

"OH, MISS ELLERTON!"

But no letter came, her heart grew sick with hope deferred, and then her pride rose; she was no longer the petted daughter of a millionaire, but a poor girl and if she had been mistaken in her lover's fidelity, she would not be the object of his pity. So she determined to be independent of all friends, and after securing the pittance which was all that these helpless women could claim, she took her mother and hid away from her fashionable friends, and tried to earn their living. How many times she longed for the quick business mind which could have evoked system from this chaos, and have rescued a competence from the unscrupulous partners who assured her there was nothing more for them in the wreck of the great business which her father had built up. What could she do? She had always been distinguished for her taste in dress, and her exquisite toilettes were the envy of many of her friends. This seemed to be her most available talent and she sought and obtained a situation in Madam Moore's fashionable establishment, and was soon intrusted with the designing of the most elaborate and particular parts of the elegant costumes sent out from those rooms.

And thus it was that Grace Ellerton was busy making the garment that her former friend Constance Bolton expected to wear at the grand fancy ball she was to give on Christmas eve, five years after her own disappearance from society. She never was seen by madame's patrons; her work was to elaborate and complete the garniture of the costumes ordered. In this case it was likewise a labor of love, for pretty Constance had been very dear to her in former days, and only her own pride had prevented a continuance of their friendship, for she had so effectually concealed herself from all her friends, that even Constance had no idea of her position.

The costume was for a fairy and Grace had allowed her fancy and taste full play in the design and execution of the dainty fabric. It would suit her sweet face, and petite form well, dear little Constance; she thought of the many times her own stately beauty had been seen in contrast with her friends, and the sharp contrast now brought a sigh to the proud lips which seldom murmured.

But the costume was complete and must be delivered at once, for it was almost time for the dainty hostess to begin her toilette.

Hastily ringing a bell for a messenger, she waited impatiently. Madam Moore herself entered, in dismay.

"Oh, Miss Ellerton, the messengers have all gone home, and Miss Bolton's costume not yet delivered; what shall I do?" and she wrung her hands in despair. "That idle Jane, I bade her await my orders and I find her not here; the robe must go, it will cost me Miss Bolton's patronage if it is not delivered in season."

"Do not distress yourself, Madam I myself will deliver the garment at Miss Bolton's residence."

"Oh, thank you, but it is a long distance, do you know where it is?"

"I know," she replied, bitterly thinking of the many times she had gone as a guest where she now proposed to go as a servant, but she would leave the box at the door, and not see any of the family.

She stopped at her own humble home to tell her mother where she was going, and then started on her errand.

The house she sought was miles away, on the west side of the great city, and when she left the street-cars she was still some distance away, and to her dismay she found the hour much later than she thought, and a driving snow-storm blowing from the boundless prairies, joined to many changes in the city, completely bewildered her.

Meantime the maid had finished the arrangement of Miss Bolton's hair, and only awaited the arrival of the robe to complete the picture of as beautiful a sprite as ever left fairy land.

"It grows late, Miss Constance—what shall I do?"

"I can't understand it. Madam Moore said she would submit my idea to the designer, and she promised a complete success—something unique. She never disappointed me before; but there, it will never do for me to sit here all evening." Resting her dimpled chin on her hand she considered a moment, then brightly said:

"EXCUSE ME," SAID THE POLICEMAN.

"I have an idea, Finette, get me up as a sister of charity, we can easily manage it, and it will be a surprise to every one," and she laughed merrily as she thought of one who had expected to meet her as queen of the fairies.

A few hours later a demure nun mingled with the gay throng.

"Sweet sister," said one in the garb of a hunter, "I am in trouble, can you help me?"

"Sir knight of the rueful countenance it is my mission to comfort those in distress, how can I assist you?"

"I came here to-night in search of the fairest sprite on earth, but either she has returned to her native fairy land, or has rendered herself invisible to my material eyes, for I find her not, and therefore am I sad, sweet sister."

"Faithfulnesss will meet its own reward, and perseverance conquers all things."

"Thanks, gentle sister."

Into this and similar light bandinage in which most of the guests joined, came a sudden and violent summons at the door. A policeman entered hastily bearing the helpless form of a woman.

"Excuse me," he said, "I found her just by the door and this box in her arms, and she is too much exhausted to take her farther in this storm."

"Take her in here," said the nun, and just as he entered a quiet room at the rear of the hall, a tall figure in a black dominoe sprang forward, and catching the burden from its bearer, showered kisses on the cold face, saying:

"My darling, is it thus I find you?"

The nun quickly threw aside her mask, her golden hair escaping from the coif, she seemed in her proper sphere as she endeavored to restore the unconscious girl. To her astonishment she recognized her friend Grace, and then she redoubled her efforts, but though she labored skillfully, I think the caresses which were lavished upon her by the tall stranger whose discarded mask revealed the handsome features of Mr. Harcourt had more to do with her restoration than all the remedies Constance had applied.

Finding this to be the case Constance discreetly left the united lovers alone; but just as she passed under the arch leading to this secluded apartment, she was surprised to find herself caught in the embrace of the valiant hunter and as he pressed a kiss upon her saintly brow, he said:

"I make no apology, for there is my warrant," and he pointed to the Mistletoe bough, under which Mr. Harcourt had borne the unconscious form of his recovered treasure.

Of course there was much to be explained. Mr. Harcourt told Grace that her letter did not reach him for some time as he was traveling. He wrote at once but owing to her change of residence she never received the letter, and since his return he had sought her in vain, so he successfully proved to Miss Ellerton that only her own pride had separated them, and he also proved to her that their marriage had been delayed long enough, so the New Year opened to them the door into a happy future where the misfortunes of the past will be lost sight of in the joy of the present.

MRS. L. B. LAVELY.

Took Christmas by the Forelock.

"Where have you been until this hour of the night, Mr. Meek?" questioned his wife in metallic tones, after she had watched him place his muddy boots on the family Bible and carefully stow his silk-hat under the bed. "Where have you been, I say?"

"Roun' wiz ze boyish carollin'. Jess carollin', m' love, thash all. It's Chrishmush eve, y' know." replied Meek, as he rolled under the covers.

"Christmas eve! It's three o'clock on Christmas morning."

"Ish tha' so. Funny fa'-hic-et. Mer' Chrismus, m' dear. Er been havin' mine yesh'dy evenin'. Goo'-night."

Didn't Have to Resort to Powder.

"Where are you going to-day?" asked Mrs. Bellows of her husband on Christmas morning. "I presume you intend to leave me at home as usual?"

"You presume about right, then, for I am going gunning," answered her husband, as he placed a small cannister over the register.

"What is in that can?"

"Damp powder."

"Good gracious! Take it off that register. Do you want to blow yourself up?"

"O, no, I don't have to do that. You'll do it for me quick enough without powder."

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 23, 1887.

Adams, J H	Layton, Henry
Barnes, Miss Louie	Lewis, Miss Carrie
Banke, Jr., H W	Morris, Mrs E C
Barber, Mrs Chas H	McNanee, Mrs E
Clawson, Miss Mary R	O'Connell, Joe
Carman, Mrs Harry	Pound, Jackson S
Doty, James	Parks, Miss Kate
Donnie, Jas	Runyon, A S
Dody, Miss Arthur B	Rowland, Miss Addie
Fielding, Mrs Hewett	Sargent, H J
Green, Mrs Ella	Sayre, Mrs Julia
Harris Mrs B S	Silsb , G W
Holmes, Miss Annie M	Scott, Miss B
Hallock, Mrs Geo	Smith, Miss Sallie
Hudnot, Jas	Smith, Mrs Jane
Johnson, Miss Laura	Tomson, Miss Delure
King, Miss Lillie A	Turner, Alice
McKintosh Augustus	Wells, Elisha
Kane, Andrew	White, Miss Amy

persons calling for above please say advertised.

W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

DEATHS.

MCINTYRE—In this city, December 23d, 1887, Francis McIntyre, of Castle Blarney, County Monoghan, Ireland, in his 75th year.

Funeral services Monday, Dec. 26th, at 10 o'clock, from St. Mary's R. C. Church, where a solemn Requiem Mass will be said for the repose of his soul. Friends and relatives are respectfully invited.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

LOST—LEMON AND WHITE POINTER, answering to the name of "Pete." Suitable reward for his return to J. U. Fraley, Jr., Park Ave. and 7th street.

LOST—SATURDAY AFTERNOON, Pair of Arctic over-shoes and package of loaded paper shells. Finder will be rewarded by leaving them at this office.

BRICK! BRICK!! BRICK!!!—The report having been circulated in Plainfield that there were no SOMERVILLE BRICK to be had, the public are hereby notified that we have a large stock of *first-class brick* on hand, which we are selling at the lowest market prices. ROSS' Brick-Yard, Somerville, N. J. 12-20-tf

TWO PLEASANT ROOMS TO LET WITH board. Apply at 59 E. 6th St. 12-14-10

TO LET—HOUSE CORNER SIXTH AND DIvision Streets, furnished or unfurnished; for boarding or private use; in good order; all improvements. Rent very low to responsible parties. Apply to Mrs. E. D. Eaton, Division Street, between 5th and 6th. 12-6-tf

TRY THE "O. A. F." CIGAR; MADE FROM the finest Havana filler, without a particle of artificial flavoring. The best 5-cent cigar in the world. 11-16-tf

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FOR SALE—MY PROPERTY ON WEST SECond Street. Price Moderate. Terms easy. T. H. TOMLINSON, M. D. 29-6-tf

FOR SALE—A SECOND-HAND, TWO HORSE "Peerless" power. In good order. Sold cheap, for want of use. Apply S. B. WHEELER, Netherwood Farm, Plainfield, N. J. 6-22-tf

FOR SALE—THE LOT SOUTH-EAST CORNER of Jackson avenue and Somerset street, about 160 feet square. For price and terms apply to O'REILLY BROS., Archt's and Storage Warehouse, from 109 to 123 E. 44th street N. Y. city.—my20tf

SKATING!

AT

"THE CRESCENT,"

DECEMBER 26,

Afternoon & Eve'ng.

FULL BAND.

12-22-3

Attention--Local Assembly 6386.

The members are earnestly requested to attend a meeting TUESDAY, DEC. 27th, at 7:30 p. m., as business of great importance will be transacted. 12 24-2

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GEO. A. MOORE,

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Building Loan Notice!

The fourth Monday in the present month being Christmas holiday, the regular meeting of the

Plainfield Building and Loan Asso'n,

for the payment of dues, &c., will be held in Cutter's Hall,

Tuesday Evening, December 27th,

at 7:30 o'clock. By order,

NATHAN HARPER, Sec'y.

12-23-2

THE

Toboggan Slide

IS NOW OPEN.

Afternoons, 2:30 to 5.

Evenings, 7:30 to 10:30.

12-22-tf

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Paintings, Water Colors, Etc.,

And the

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Between the Hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., and 7 p. m. till 10 p. m.

ADMISSION, 25 CENTS.

Catalogues containing full description of the articles, with a description of the process of making Cloisonne Enamel, for sale at the Gallery. *PRICE 15 CENTS.* 12-21-tf

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Monday Evening, December 26th.

THE POWERFUL ROMANTIC ACTOR.

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A drama of intense human nature. "The consummation of all that is great in dramatic construction is perceptible in 'Forgiven' as the attainment of absolute perfection in romantic characterization is obvious in Mr. Bryton's performance."

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13-12-tf

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Time Table in Effect December 8, 1887.

PLAINFIELD AND NEW YORK.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.35, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a. m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.28, 8.08, 8.17, 9.29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6.02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m. 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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SETH'S COURTING;

Or Better Late Than Never—A Christmas Story.

SETH FRANKLIN had been in love with pretty Mildred Hastings ever since she was in pinafores and he in roundabouts, and was accustomed, as boy and youth, to blush violently every time he met her. She always "made fun" of him in the language of the school-girls, and ridiculed his tow-colored locks and gawky limbs. And he knew it, too; but instead of hating her for it, he only loved her all the more as a divinity set far above him.

But when he returned home after a five years' course at college, situations changed. He was still homely, but he was no longer awkward, and his bashfulness became him like the reserve of a cultivated nature. He no longer blushed or fidgetted when he met Mildred, and his friends said: "Seth has got over the old love."

Had he? Do men get over a case of love, as if it were measles or mumps? They might think so, but there was one person who knew better. That was Mildred herself. He no longer blushed, but he turned cold, and his voice trembled, though he tried hard to steady it, and did steady it to all ears but hers. She knew and felt that tremor that ran through his well-chosen and carefully-modulated words. He might deceive the world and himself—he could not deceive her.

"Why don't you take a wife?" his mother inquired, anxiously.

And he answered in the jocose vein of a great wit.

"Whose wife shall I take, mother?"

But one night he nearly ventured to reveal what was in his mind.

His mother had been urging him to marry. She wished to go out West and settle with an older child, a daughter, but could not bear to leave Seth alone.

So he broached the matter to Mildred as he was seeing her home from church.

"I suppose," he began, in true Yankee style, "that you know a good many bright, pretty girls who are housekeepers and would make good— What was that?"

Mildred had laughed aloud. It was an actual truth, and at the very moment when her fate was about to be decided.

"Well," she said, recovering herself, "what was it you wanted?"

But he never finished it. When Christmas came he wrote her a long, formal offer of his heart and hand, and fastened the letter in the branches of the teacher's Christmas tree at the church. He said several pretty things in it about giving himself and all his possessions, for her acceptance, and waited within sight of the church, intending to be on hand to walk home with her if she would have him. The signal, to be the letter worn at her belt.

But a careless hand ignited the tree from a burning taper, and, in the panic which ensued, Seth saw a more fortunate rival bearing his Mildred to a place of safety.

Soon after he lost another opportunity.

He was escorting her home when he suddenly asked:

"Have you ever thought of m—m—oving out West?"

It was so evident that he had not finished his sentence as he intended to, that Mildred laughed again. What possessed her?

"Will you give me good reference if I do?" she asked, demurely.

"Indeed I will, Mildred," he answered, with all seriousness. "Why, Mildred, do you know I have always thought you were the best—get out, you brute!" they had reached the gate, and a ferocious mastiff was worrying Mildred's lover. She soothed him with a word (the dog, not the lover), and waited to hear more.

"Good-night," he said, and there was a world of meaning in the words; but the most imaginative girl could hardly construe it into an offer.

"And that is the man who can address a jury and fascinate an audience with his oratory," thought Mildred, "and yet he is frightened to death at one poor little woman! I'll think no more of him."

Then she thought all the more of him, and laid little innocent traps which always sprung before he was in them.

Years passed away; Seth was quite a respectable old bachelor and Mildred was just turning the first corner toward being an old maid, and the laggard in love had never yet found the courage to say: "Mildred, I love you."

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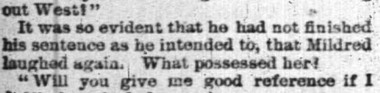
It was Christmas eve. At the Hastings homestead there was unusual quiet, and an absence of the customary merriment of past seasons. Some of this was due to a letter Father Hastings had received that day which brought news from a far country. A guest invited to spend Christmas with them



"GET OUT, YOU BRUTE!"

had gone home. Death had come to old Aunt Polly, an unexpected guest at the last. Mr. Hastings read and re-read the letter, shook his head and kept saying: "Too bad! too bad!"

"But she was very old, John; too old to make the journey here. You know the years count after we reach seventy."

"But it's the luck. Look at the bad luck. In all the years we have house-kept, Jenny, we never were without a Christmas guest but once."

"And that was the year you broke your leg and I had typhoid fever."

"And the best cow in the herd went off her feed and died."

"And the pork curled in the pan, and Mildred had the whooping-cough and chicken-rash together."

"Yes, it's no use to say there's nothing in it. The laws of natur' are stricter than the law of books. May be it ain't too late to ask somebody in yet. Where's Mildred."

"She's gone over to visit Barbara Curtis. John, I wish our Mildred was married to a good husband."

"Where'll you find 'em?" asked Mr. Hastings, with a gleam of humor in his eye, "I'm not in the market."

"No, but Seth Franklin is, and he's loved our Mildred since they went to school together."

"Then why don't he tell her so? I warn't tongue-tied when I was a courtin' you, Jen."

"No, but he's different; he's that bashful that he never dared to touch her hand. And the worst of it is, John, Mildred is in love with him. I know the symptoms well enough when I see 'em."

"But about our Christmas company, there'll be nobody in the spare room to-night unless I go out into the highways and by-ways and ask 'em in, and it's too late now for that. Hullo! what's that?"

Thud! thud! thud! came something bumping along the front of the house, and then, bang it went, against the front door.

Mrs. Hastings went and dragged out an old shot-gun that hadn't been fired off in a dozen years.

"Protect yourself, John!" she said, in a shaky voice.

For an answer Mr. Hastings pulled open the outer door. A dark object lay across the threshold.

"Bring a light, wife. Jerushy! if it ain't Seth Franklin flung right plumb at us."

"It's a runaway," said Mrs. Hastings, who could discern the faint sounds of a horse's retreating feet.

"I hope he ain't hurt." He did not say the word, but lifted the insensible man into the house, where he had the satisfaction of seeing that he breathed regularly. Indeed, he was not seriously hurt, for, as he slowly opened his eyes, he said, in a dazed way:

"Mildred kicked, and then run away. I expect she's running yet. Whoa there, Mildred, Whoa!"

"He means his horse, I expect," suggested Mr. Hastings.

"Eh—oh—Where am I—Your honor, the case is called—"

"This isn't the court-room," said Mr. Hastings, laughing hoarsely. "Rouse up, man. You've been pitched in among friends. Are you hurt? Enny bones broke?"

"No, Mr. Hastings, I'm all right now, but it was a close call, that. I'm only bruised and shaken up some."

"Well, wife, fetch some arnikv and we'll soon find the bruises. Come to think of it you'll have to stay all night, and that's good luck for us. We've got a Chris'mas company to entertain after all, Jenny."

Seth Franklin was very willing to settle down for the night in that comfortable home, he who had no home at all, now that

MR. HASTINGS WITH THE TONGS.

his mother was in the West. He felt all about him the sweet influence of the woman he loved, yet he had not the courage to ask why she was not there. Mr. Hastings finally explained that Mildred had gone to see her friend, Barbara Curtis, and as it was late, they would not s t up any longer but would have worship at once. Worship meant reading aloud the wonderful story "Christ is Born," and in singing a hymn. Seth was a good tenor, and his voice blended well with Mildred's, but he was too much shaken up to-night to sing. So father and mother Hastings quavered along in the old fashioned tune that so well suits the marvelous story:

"While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The Angel of the Lord came down,
And g-l-o-r-y shone around."

Seth listened as in a dream. It all resolved itself into one theme—Mildred—Mildred. Alas! the worship in his cowardly heart was for the creature, instead of the creator, but then we know that God is love.

He made a final pretense of going home, but Mr. Hastings said, emphatically:

"Why man alive you're crazy! You don't stir out of this to-night."

So he was installed in the sacred guest-chamber and being afraid to disturb the immaculate squares of lace and embroidery, that protected the pillows, he rolled himself in a sumpter blanket and laid down on the divan-sofa.

A half hour later Mildred and her friend came home, and finding the latch-string out, stole softly in and hurried up-stairs. As Mildred passed her mother's room she went in and left a good-night kiss. Mrs. Hastings was nearly asleep, but she whispered something to Mildred in a disjointed fashion that brought the color into the good, womanly face.

She laughed when she was in her room with her friend and a light.

"Mother said something about the spare room. I expect she has a present there for me. When a child I had to go there in the dark and find it. I always found a doll.

"You are too old for dolls now," answered her friend, lightly, "but whatever it is, you can find it by your sense of feeling."

"Come then," said Mildred, and they joined hands and stepped together over the hall, and stood on the threshold of the guest-chamber.

"Do you know it is the first time in my memory that this room was unoccupied by a Christmas guest. I remember how I frightened Aunt Polly once by creeping in to get my Christmas gift."

"May be her ghost is there now," whispered Barbara.

Mildred gave a smothered shriek and then the two stepped in giggling like school girls.

The undisturbed white bed loomed up in the darkness.

"Christmas present, where are you?"

"Here—present!" answered a choking voice—a man's voice unmistakably.

The screams that followed, brought Father and Mother Hastings on the scene, half-dressed but wholly awake, each carrying a weapon of defense. Mrs. Hastings armed with the rolling pin, and Mr. Hastings with the tongs.

There was a very pretty tableau revealed to them then. Seth Franklin bravely supporting the half-fainting form of Mildred, to whom Barbara was clinging shrieking hysterically.

"I—I thought," sobbed Mildred "he was a Christmas present."

"I *am*, if you will only take me," was it Seth Franklin who spoke up in that clear ringing voice?

"Well! well! well;" laughed Father Hastings, "if ever I see the like of that!"

"It is Christmas eve," continued Seth in that eloquent voice that had convinced juries and influenced judges—"there is no holier or happier time to bring loving hearts together than this. I was at death's door to-night, and saw my wasted life in a new light. I want Mildred"—he looked at her humbly and deprecatingly—"does Mildred want me?"

Her blushing, tearful face was more eloquent than any words.

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BROWN'S NEW YEAR'S VOW.

LD Mr. Brown, in grand array,
Set out to call on New Year's Day.

"God-by," exclaimed his help-mate, "now,
Remember, dear, your New Year's vow."

"This time I'll keep it, sure as life,"
He smiled, and kissed his happy wife.

Each time he passed a Liquor shop
He hooked away, and wouldn't stop.

He met three cronies on the street:
"Come in," they urged, "we want to treat."

"No! I've sworn off," Brown nobly said,
"My nose shall not be painted red."

"Hurrah!" they cried, "we'll swear off, too."
(This shows what good examples do.)

"There's nothing now can make me fall,"
Brown thought, as he went in to "call."

"A happy New Year's, ladies!" cried
Our hero, bowing, when in side.

"The same to you, and many more,"
The ladies answered, as of yore.

For just five minutes altogether
The angels talked about the weather,

Then led Brown to the table, where
They heaped his plate with New Year's fare.

Poor Brown! He balanced on his knees
That plate, and tried to hold a sneeze,

Which, bursting like a thunder clap,
Shot plate and all from off his lap.

"O! Mr. Brown, you've taken cold,"
Cried out the ladies, young and old.

Alas! upon that table stood
Decanters filled with no one's good.

And dainty hands commenced to fill
The glasses, to allay Brown's chill.

"Ahem!" Brown blushed, and gave a cough,
"Excuse me, ladies! I've sworn off."

"O, New Year's day don't count," they smiled,
As, Eve-like, they poor Brown beguiled.

And, Adam-like, Brown fell anew,
Because the ladies asked him to.

A soft white hand presented brandy;
Brown drank—then felt quite like a dandy.

Another offered him some sherry;
He drank it, and grew very merry.

A wife and mother gave him whisky;
Another port; Brown now was frisky.

"(Hic). Happy New Year! (hic) I shay—
Lots of 'em, ladies! (hic) Hoo-ray!!"

And then—the truth shall here be told,
He kissed each female, young and old.

"Help! Murder! Thieves! Police!" they shrieked,
While husbands mad, rushed in and wreaked

On Brown their vengeance, till, most dead,
With shattered vows and broken head,

He, in an ambulance was sent
To face his wife, and there repent.

MORAL.

Now, ladies near, and ladies far,
Don't keep on New Year's Day a bar,

For many a man slips off the brink
When women tempt him thus to drink.

Another's husband, son—perhaps
Your own—may from these New Year traps

His ruin find. O, ladies, all,
Care for the Browns, who'll on you call.

H. C. Dodge.

THE SYMPERTONS.

They Discuss Christmas—Tommy Also Offers a Few Suggestions.

MR. and Mrs. Symperton were sitting in their parlor one evening not long before Christmas. Their son Tommy, a mere youth, was busy reading "Peck's Bad Boy," and mixing occasionally in the conversation. Mrs. Symperton was a pensive sort of a woman much given to sighing. Symperton himself was remarkably matter of fact. Tommy was a typical American boy.

"The happy Christmas season is once more upon us. This is the time in which of all times of the year every remedial sorrow and trouble in the world around us should be active with us for all good," said Mrs. Symperton.

Mr. Symperton grunted.

"The good will, the kind thoughts," continued Mrs. S., "the genial benevolence of this sacred season—"

"That reminds me," interrupted Symperton, "that last Christmas I clipped a little piece of poetry from some newspaper on this very subject. It was so appropriate that I put it in my pocketbook. I've got it yet. Here it is."

"O, Charles, you must give it to me for my album. Is it about the shepherds watching their flocks, and the wise men from the East bringing their gifts?"

"Yes; it's something about gifts. I'll read it to you."

"By gracious I remember
Many Christmasses forlorn,
The ghastly way in which the bills
Came pouring in each morn;
They never, never, ceased to come,
And I recall to-day
Just how I often wished the night
Would bear my breath away."

Mrs. Symperton could scarcely master her disgust, and she was about to say something severe.

"Yes," continued Symperton, "it's all very well to talk about yule logs, mistletoe and the like, but the holidays are as full of discrepancies as a shad is of bones. We all eat and drink too much about these times. I know last Christmas I felt as if I had hystero-epilepsy, incipient hydrophobia with trance complications."

"Perhaps you were sick," said Tommy, looking up from his book.

"You keep quiet sir. It's you children that make the holidays so unendurable."

"I don't think, Charles, that you should talk that way. Heaven sends us Christmas."

"And the devil sends us the bills."

"Don't talk about the bills now. By the way, Charles, what would you like for Christmas?"

"I know what I'd like if I didn't have to pay for it, but I guess my experience will be like that of Sardanalus Cobb. He wanted a forty-dollar overcoat, but his wife overwhelmed him with a pair of twenty-cent suspenders, but he didn't kick; he was afraid to."

"But you women are all alike," continued Symperton. "Judge Nicodemus Sykes, one day just before last Christmas, while his wife was out, found a drawer locked. He sent for a locksmith, and paid him two dollars to open the drawer, to find in it a measly little fifteen-cent necktie, with a piece of paper with his name in big letters pinned to it."

"Well," said Mrs. Symperton, "I am determined that you shall have no cause to complain. I'm going out this very afternoon and I'll get you something real handsome."

"For Heaven's sake, woman, remember that I have to pay for it. When you buy presents, try and keep your presence of mind. Don't bankrupt the family."

"Never you mind; and what are you going to buy me?"

"I expect you know already. No married man from the day of Adam to right now ever made a success in trying to hide a Christmas present from his wife."

"I hope she will get a book," said Tommy. "I mean a bank-book or a fat pocket-book, so she can get me a decent present. What do you think Billy Jones' pa gave him last Christmas? Took him to a barber-shop and had his hair cut. Billy says he expects his pa will take him to a dentist and have a tooth pulled this Christmas."

"Poor boy! Didn't his mother give him any thing on Christmas?"

"Yes; she sewed some buttons on his clothes. That was her Christmas present. If I had that sort of parents I'd swap them off for a dog and shoot the dog."

"The Jones' are almost as mean as a man I heard about. He lived in Galveston, Tex.," resumed Symperton, "and his name

MRS. JOBB'S PRESENT.

was Smith. His wife was the best little woman in the world. She worked like a slave. He had never given her a Christmas present before, but one Christmas he made an exception. She gave him a beautifully-quilted silk dressing-gown, and in return he gave her a new buck-saw to replace the dull one she was using, so she would not have to work so hard during the winter sawing up the wood for the stove. The poor woman thanked him with tears in her eyes at this unexpected kindness and consideration."

Mrs. Symperton sadly shook her head at the recital of this act of cruelty.

"Speaking of sawing wood," said Tommy, "I want a fiddle for Christmas; I want to learn how to play on the fiddle. I want a gun, too."

"I'd rather get you the gun than the fiddle. The gun kills the quickest," said Symperton, who dislikes music.

"If pa is going to have a pair of slippers I want them padded. I don't want him to wear any other kind. Billy Jones' ma uses a bootjack. He says she has corns on the inside of her thumb from using it on him so much."

"Don't be afraid, Tommy; Parson Smotherly will get all the slippers," remarked Mr. S.

"Yes," remarked Tommy, "boys and preachers are both presented with slippers, but the ceremonies ain't the same; at least I don't suppose they are; but, then, I've never seen a clergyman presented with a pair of slippers."

"There is one thing I'll never be able to understand," continued Symperton, "and that is why all the ladies in the congregation present the preacher with slippers. One would suppose from the number of slippers he gets that he is a centipede and has a hundred feet. I have been told that the shoe firms make regular bids to clergymen for their slippers. They have barrels of slippers on tap. By the way, I saw Sylvanus Binks a few days ago. What do you suppose he is going to give his wife?"

"I have no idea."

"A new piano."

"But Mrs. Binks can't play."

"That's just the reason Binks gets her a piano. You don't suppose he would be such a fool to buy her a piano if she could play. He buys it to set off the parlor."

"Our teacher don't thump us on the head no more when we get together and talk in school," observed Tommy.

"Why don't he?"

"Because he knows we are talking about that present we are going to give him. He

COLONEL SMITH'S PRESENT.

says he regards us as his younger brothers."

"He is so kind," said Mrs. Symperton.

"I ain't going to miss Sunday-school no more."

"That's right, Tommy be a good boy," said Mrs. Symperton.

"We are going to have pop-corn balls on the Christmas tree."

"I thought so," remarked Symperton, "a few pop-corn balls on a Christmas tree will interest a boy more in religion than a dozen real miracles."

"You must have been there, pa, when you was a boy," said Tommy.

"I'll bet that boy don't know right now what is the meaning and significance of Christmas," said Mr. Symperton.

"Yes, he does, Charles. Tommy what happened on Christmas?"

"It snowed. At least it did last Christmas. I hope it will be slippery this Christmas so I can fix a slide on the sidewalk like I did last Christmas. It was such fun to hear pa swear and see him rub himself. And ma, you remember how you slid ever so far. You travelled on your shape then, didn't you ma? You bet I know what happened on Christmas."

"You can go to bed, Tommy," said Mr. and Mrs. Symperton, simultaneously.

Exit Tommy singing:—

"A boy will eat, and a boy will drink
And a boy will play all day;
But a boy can't work and a boy can't think
Because he ain't built that way."

Alex E. Sweet.

BATTLING WITH YAQUI INDIANS.

Capt. Encisco Has a Three Hours' Fight Near Laguana del Pars.

TOMYSTONE, Ari., Dec. 24.-News has been received from Bonacita that a detachment of the Twenty-eighth regiment, under Capt. Encisco, attacked a band of Yaqui Indians Sunday morning while they were preparing to raid the settlement of Laguna del Pars.

After three hours' hard fighting the Indians were driven from their stronghold. One Indian was killed and one wounded while two squaws were captured and sent to Bonacita. Chico Lenaders, Little Poisoner, one of the most desparate chiefs in the tribe, led the Yaquis during the fight.

When forced to retire he covered their retreat with consummate skill. The troops who followed him were ambushed several times and would have been massacred had not the Indians run out of ammunition.

Some time ago Capt. Encisco, Lieut. Oglunin and a squad of twenty-five infantry pursued a band of Yaquis who were discovered in the hills near Bonacito. The Indians took refuge behind a granite ledge, and after repeated charges by the troops the captain was forced to retire.

The men were then deployed, but the Indians broke through the lines and escaped amid rapid firing. Lieut. Oglunin was wounded and the pursuit was abandoned until next morning. The troops took up the trail but did not overtake the fleeing Yaquis.

In this engagement three Indians were killed and several wounded. While on the trail a wounded Indian was shot dead while attempting to escape.

Indiana State Federation of Labor.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 24.—The State federation of miners and mine laborers met in Pennce's hall, this city, Thursday, for the purpose of taking action upon certain matters which have occurred since their last meeting. Joseph Dunkley of Dugger was chosen temporary chairman and John Duddy secretary. Thirteen delegates answered to their names One of the most important things to come before the convention is the election of a president of the association, trouble having arisen between the present official and the association. The association refuses to give information as to the nature of the difficulty, but it will come out before adjournment. The association has grievances with operators, on which an ultimatum will be declared. All parts of the state are represented.

Gov. Oglesby's Christmas.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Inspector Bonfield has received a copy of a paper called the *Anarchist* published in London by Henry Seymour. The cover was of jet black card board, with the name of the journal in flaming red letters. The contents of this holiday number consisted of heavy editorials on the character of Governor Oglesby, and numerous contributions relating to the "martyrs." In an editorial paragraph the proprietor of the sheet, over his own signature, calls upon the followers of Carl Marx to avenge the blood of the heroes who were murdered in Chicago.

Held Them at Bay for Three Hours.

APPLETON, Minn., Dec. 24.—At Kaukauna Wednesday night M. Sullivan, an ex-policeman of Chicago, Engineers Freeman and Moran, all now employees of the Lake Shore road, were in a saloon playing cards. Sullivan says he dropped asleep about 12 o'clock and that his two frinds and Meagher, the proprietor, robbed him of over $150. After awaking he accused them of it. They denied it and he drew a revolver and kept them in their seats for three hours until a policeman answered the occasional shots which Sullivan fired through the window.

Bessie Long Has Been Heard From.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—The mystery attending the strange disappearance of Miss Bessie Long, a pupil at Mount Auburn Institute here, who left a few days ago and could not be found, has been partially cleared up. A telegram from Montgomery, Ala., announces that Miss Long is there, the guest of friends. It is supposed that she left Cincinnati in a fit of dementia and failed to regain control of her mental faculties until she reached Montgomery, where she got of the railway train and went to the home of her friends.

Receiver for a Life Insurance Company.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 24.—Ex-Lieut.-Gov. Lerrin A. Cooke, of Riverton, and ex-Congressman John R. Buck, of this city, have been appointed receivers of the wrecked Continental Life Insurance company. The latter was appointed in the interests of policy holders. The grand jury has found true bills for false entries and false returns against President S. Parsons, now in Canada, Secretary Robert E. Beecher and Bookeeper Isaac W Hakes.

The Stock Is Secure.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 24.—Judge Evans, of the court of common pleas, decided the Hocking Valley suit, involving $8,000,000, in favor of the railroad company at every point, refused to dissolve the injunction. John Shaw, of New York, the president of the road, wanted a perpetual injunction issued restraining Judge Burke and others from disposing of $8,000,000 worth of stock alleged to have been fraudulently received, and the decision is in favor of Shaw.

The New Woman's Party Encouraged.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Dec. 24.—The new political woman's party, headed and organized by Mrs. Carrie Lane Chapman, and known as the American party, is meeting not only with a large following in this state, but most flattering and encouraging reports have been received here at headquarters to-day from Nebraska, Illinois, Michigan and many other states, showing that the movement is awakening a very lively emulation throughout the country.

Fatal Explosion of Dynamite.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 24.—An explosion of dynamite at a limestone quarry near Brookfield, Colchester county, Thursday killed four men, one of them being Alexander McDonald, proprietor of the quarry. They were warming dynamite previous to using it for a blast, when it exploded, it is supposed from overheating. A man and a women who were present escaped with slight injuries. The building was destroyed.

An Anti-Chromo and Prize Law.

COLUMBUS, S. C., Dec. 24.—The South Carolina legislature has just passed a law which makes it a misdemeanor, punishable by fine and imprisonment, for any person who shall sell, exchange, or dispose of any article upon representation, advertisement or inducement, that any gift, prize, or reward will go with the article purchased. This kills the chromo and prize business in this state.

NOT OUT OF THE RACE.

Mr. Sherman Denies That He Would Retire From the Presidential Race.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—A Washington despatch to a New York paper yesterday morning states that Senator John Sherman had declared at a recent dinner given by Justice Field, that the sentiment in favor of Blaine was so strong as to satisfy him that there was no probability of his Sherman's) nomination and that he had decided to retire from the presidential race.

When this despatch was shown to Senator Sherman he said:—"It is wholly untrue. It is absurd upon its face. I never made such a declaration at Justice Field's or anywhere else, for that matter. Justice Field's dinner was certainly the last place I would so have expressed myself if I had contemplated such a thing. It was a dinner given to Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, at which were present the other gentlemen associated with him in the fisheries negotiations and a very considerable mixture of republicans and democrats as well.

"It was hardly the place where any man would be apt to talk about his presidential prospects. You may say, as coming from me, that neither at that dinner nor any other dinner, nor at any other time or place for that matter, have I said anything of the kind attributed to me in the despatch in question.

"It is barely possible that I may have replied, when some jocular allusion connecting me with the presidency has been made, that I was not concerning myself about the presidency, but would quietly wait until the convention had met and made its choice. I may have said this, certainly nothing more."

A Noted Criminal in Limbo.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 24.—One of the most noted burglars and jail breakers in the country is now awaiting trial here. He has been identified by Detective "Jimmie" Jackson of Sing Sing, and is at present known as Henry Smith, but figured in criminal records under the aliases of Joseph Lambers, George Webster, William Schaffer, William McGovern, Peter Acker, and Joseph Johnson. He was sentenced to one year's imprisonment in July, but escaped and kept quiet in Newark at the house of his friends and began stealing right and left. When the detective saw him he found he was wanted to serve out an unexpired term of fourteen years in Auburn prison. The record of his prison escapades during the past twenty-two years are very exciting. Once he was captured after having escaped to the Canadian border, but threw red pepper in the eyes of his captors and escaped again. In May last he leaped from a building forty feet high at Newark and escaped.

His Pleasant Time With a Mule.

BRIDGETON, N. J., Dec. 24.—Thomas Donaghay, a young farmer, while sweeping out a stable was kicked by a mule. The calks on the animal's shoe caught in the farmer's corduroy trousers, and held fast. The mule continued kicking, throwing the man about the stable. It drove him against a bin with such force as to move the bin and ignite some matches which he had in his pocket. Finally the shoe coming loose from the clothing the mule kicked Donaghay out of the door where he was found unconscious. The animal's aversion to a broom caused him to attack the farmer. Donaghay says he did not expect to get out of the stable alive.

A Reversed Postal Ruling.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The postmaster-general has at last found a law which he thinks authorizes him to allow senders of merchandise by post mark the word "merchandise" upon packages, as they have always done. There is no more law for it than there was three months ago, when the wise men of the department said that it absolutely could not be done. But the storage facilities of the government have been greatly reduced since then, and the number of indignant citizens has increased a thousamifold. This has been more notable in the holiday season.

A Crisis in Indian Territory Politics.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Latest advices from Tahlequah say that Special Agent Anderson gave the two contending factions clearly to understand yesterday that he would give them fifty-eight hours to settle their difficulties in, and if the trouble was not adjusted then, the government would step in and settle it for them. In view of this the nationals are said to have agreed last night to come in to-day, furnish a quorum in the senate and count the vote and declare the election of a principal and assistant chief of the nation.

No News of the Big Raft.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—It was learned this morning that there was no truth whatever in the report telegraphed from Boston that the derelict raft was being towed into that port by an incoming steamer. No news has yet been received here or at any other port concerning the whereabouts of the missing raft, but it is generally believed that some of the incoming steamers due at this port Sunday will bring intelligence of it, as it is undoubtedly floating in the track of trans-Atlantic steamers.

Ecuador Has a Tremendous Boom.

PANAMA, Dec. 11.—The immense amount of merchandise which has recently been received in Guayaquil sufficed to fill the custom warehouses. Then the authorities hired all the empty houses, and now these are full, and advertisements are published calling for thirty more stores. Temporary wooden sheds are being erected in the meantime in which to store the merchandise.

A Shoe House Fails.

SOUTH NORWALK, Conn., Dec. 24.—Frank H. Roscoe, a shoe manufacturer of this town, filed an assignment for the benefit of his creditors in the probate office yesterday afternoon. His liabilities amount to $80,000, while his assets are valued at $30,000. Mr. Roscoe's father is also insolvent in having indorsed many notes and advanced about $15,000 to his son in the business.

Dying at the Age of 102.

DANBURY, Conn., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Triphena Byens, the oldest resident of this town, died Thursday night, age nearly one hundred and two. Her illness was short. Her latest appearance on the street was in August at the reunion of the Fifteenth Connecticut Veteran association, when she dined and talked with the members.

Refuge for Women.

HUDSON, N. Y., Dec. 24.—The Home of Refuge for women, which was recently opened here, has been officially inspected by the board of supervisors of Columbia county. Some changes may be made in the government of the home There are now girls and young women confined in it.

Williams College Gets $5,000.

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., Dec. 24.—By the will of the late Dr. Alonzo Clark of New York, Williams College receives a bequest of $5,000. Dr. Clark was a member of the class of 4828,

RELIEF FOR KANSAS.

Warmer Weather—Coal Going to the Destitute Families.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 24.—The situation in western Kansas has greatly improved during the last twenty-four hours. The weather has moderated and the supply of coal is being increased. Twenty carloads were shipped to-day from the Atchinson, Topeka and Santa Fe company's mines in Colorado, which will be distributed at once to the towns most in need of fuel. This, it is believed, will supply the destitute localities for one week, and the railroad officials think that by that time they will be able to supply the demand. Every effort is being made by the company to get the coal from the mines.

ATCHISON, Kan., Dec 23.—There is no lack of fuel or food anywhere in northeastern Kansas nor along the northean tier of counties. The food supply is ample, and fuel sufficient in quantity is being shipped as wanted all through this section.

FORT SCOTT, Kan., Dec. 23.—The rumors of great suffering and privations incident to the extreme cold weather are untrue so far as relates to southeastern Kansas. We had a light fall of snow on Tuesday, but the weather has not been excessively cold at any time.

Natural Gas in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24. Natural gas has been found here in the Cooke Brewing company's works, at Twenty-seventh street and Johnson avenue. Water pipes extend from the brewery under the Illinois tracks and forty feet out into the lake. The pump failed to work yesterday, and on examination a slight explosion took place. The engineer brought a lighted candle in, when as the gas approached the pipe a pillar of flame burst forth, burned for a few moments, and then went out. A small pipe was inserted, and a three-fourths inch opening made, from which for twenty-four hours a fifteen-inch flame of gas has been burning. Experts declare it to be natural gas.

Sale of the Chicago Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The sale of the Chicago *Times* has been completed, and the new proprietors, Snowden & West, take possession to-day. The exact terms are not yet made public. Attorney Trade, who represents the heirs, said that $575,000 was the actual amount of cash to be paid over by the purchasers, who will assume about $50,000 of liabilities in the shape of mortgages.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

It is rumored in Vienna that Count Kalnoky, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, is about to resign.

Henry Clay Stone, one of the pioneers who amassed a fortune in California in '49-50, died suddenly in Austin, Tex.

A Catholic priest has been sentenced to three months at hard labor, at Prague, Bohemia, for making a seditious political speech.

Miss Alice Freeman, late president of Wellesley college, was married Friday at Boston, to Prof. George Herbert Palmer of Harvard.

A syndicate composed of the Rothschilds and others, has been formed in Paris to hold up the price of copper for the next two years.

Gen. Butler and Gen. Roger A. Pryor are in consultation and will secure the counsel for Callan, the alleged dynamiter on trial in London.

Mrs. Leland Stanford has endowed and will open on Wednesday next a home for young children on the spot in Albany, where she was born.

The wagon spring manufacturers of the United States met at the Niagara hotel, Buffalo, to discuss matters of general interest to the trade.

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BY THE WAY.

—Local Assembly No. 6386 meets to-night at 7:30.

—The light snow fall last night again made the sleighing good this morning.

—Any humane man will blanket his horse during the chilly Winter months.

—Monday, Jan. 2d, the week of prayer commences and continues during the week.

—The December term of the Somerset County Courts was resumed at Somerville today.

—A meeting of the Young Peoples' society, of Trinity church, in the lecture room to-night. All are welcome.

—A horse belonging to Mrs. Demeza of Elm Place, slipped in the stall last Wednesday night, and falling broke his leg. The animal had to be killed.

—Messrs. Jones & Co., on Saturday removed the carcass of a horse belonging to a Mr. Cahill of Cottage Place. Inflamation of the bowels resulted in the animal's death.

—Mr. John Leal will teach the class in English branches at the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening at 7:30 o'clock. For particulars young men should inquire at the rooms.

—Howell & Hardy, the new grocery firm on North avenue, are selling first-class goods at reasonable prices. Their store is very attractive and will bear inspection.

—The regular young men's meeting of the Y. M. C. A., will be held at the Association rooms this evening at 8 o'clock. Topic—"Christ, our Saviour."—Luke 2:11. All men welcome.

—A horse attached to a painter's wagon became unmanageable by the breaking of a trace, on Somerset street, about noon today, and came near running away. He was neatly caught by Dennis Sutphen.

—The American flag was displayed at half-mast over the Post Office building this morning in respect to the memory of the late ex-Secretary of the Treasury, Daniel Manning, whose funeral obsequies occurred this afternoon.

—A young married man residing on West Third street, is alleged to have threatened to shoot his wife, last evening. The trouble, it is said, grew out of his taking another female to the Opera House. No complaint has yet been lodged against the would-be slayer.

—An invitation sociable was held at Meyers' Park Hotel, Dunellen, last evening. The dancing, which was the main feature, was kept up until the wee sma' hours of this morning by those present, many of whom were from this city. Wm. Laible and Jos. C. Blimm were the Committee.

—Mr. John Neighbor, one of the efficient salesmen in the employ of Ex-mayor Rockfellow, pluckily captured a runaway horse in front of THE PRESS office at three o'clock this afternoon. Where the animal came from the reporter was unable to ascertain. John's friends consider him the hero of the day.

—There was quite an attendance of sportsmen at Campbell's Club House on Park avenue, yesterday, to participate in pigeon shooting. After several sweepstake matches had been shot off, the event of the day, the match between Messrs. Andrew Lutkins and Ellis A. Campbell, for $25 a side, at ten live birds each, resulted in according the match to Mr. Lutkins, who killed six out of seven birds, to Mr. Campbell's five.

A Shrewed Investor.

We learn that a purchase has just been made by Peter J. O'Donohue, Esq., a millionaire coffee merchant, of Front street, New York, of the seventy acre farm of Samuel Dayton at South Plainfield. This shows that capitalists are quick to see the increased values that are sure to result from the building of the Lehigh Valley railroad branch from Roselle to South Plainfield.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

IN THE CHURCHES AND ELSEWHERE.

How the Day Was Observed—Sunday School Exercises, Addresses. Etc.

Christmas Day in this city was celebrat-in the usual quiet manner, nothing in fact marking the day more than the delightful weather and the interesting exercises held in the various churches. There was a large number of strangers in town during Sunday and yesterday, and many of the residents also left the city to spend Christmas with relatives and friends at distant points. At ten a. m., the post office and banks closed, and did not again open during the day. By noon business was practically suspended and the city put on its usual holiday attire.

IN THE CHURCHES.

Christmas was celebrated at the Seventh Day Baptist church on Saturday morning, when Rev. Dr. Lewis, the pastor, delivered a sermon in accordance with the day. The Sunday school held a service of song in the afternoon, rendering Lorenzo's Cantata "In the Manger." The choir, consisting of Miss May Tomlinson, Miss Randolph, Mrs. David E. Titsworth, Miss Mabel Potter, Dr. F. Wells, Mr. D. E. Titsworth and Mr. E. E. Runyon, rendered the following musical selections, with Miss Utter as accompanist:

"Festival Fantasia".....Crowell
Anthem, "Angels from the Realms of Glory,"
G. W. Warren
Anthem, "There were Shepherds," A. J. Holden
Anthem, "Hark, What means those Holy Voices?"
Gounod—Thomas

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

A feature of the Christmas Day service in this church was the singing by the choir composed of Mrs. Samuel Collins, Miss Julia Ketcham, and Messrs. E. E. and Frank W. Runyon. The pastor's sermon related to the birth of Christ. In the evening a Christmas service for the Sunday school was held, which consisted of carols, responsive readings, and an address by the pastor. A brother of Rev. Mr. Goodrich was present and recited a poem. The decorations were both neat and tasty.

TRINITY REFORMED.

The Sunday services in Trinity Reformed church, both morning and evening, were of an interesting nature, particularly so in the morning, when Rev. Mr. Schenck, previous to his discourse on "The Arch-angel's Announcement," Luke 1st chapter: 32d and 33d verses, read the following financial statement concerning the church, and stated that he wished for no better Christmas present, at the same time taking occasion to thank the ladies of the church, for the taste and good *judgment displayed by them in trimming* the edifice.

PLAINFIELD, Dec. 25th, 1887.

Receipts from various sources for the payment of the mortgage indebtedness of the church is as follows;

Amount collected by the Ladies' Christian Work Society	$2,281 80
Amount collected by our church Treas.	1,469 45
From Leo Daft, proceeds of lecture given by him	237 35
From parlor sale by the "Little workers,"	100 00
From parlor sale by the infant class	67 00
	$4,155 60

From this am't has been paid the $4,000 mortgage due the estate of John A. Lansing, deceased leaving a balance on hand toward the payment of the remaining mortgage, of $155 60.

In the evening the church was densely filled, the greater part of the auditorium being reserved for the scholars of the Sunday school. About the pulpit there was a profusion of evergreens, flowers, trailing vines and ferns, the same artistically arranged by the members of the *Ladies' Work Society, assisted by the* young people of the church. To use the expression of one of the oldest members of the church, the decorations never looked prettier. The exercises opened with an organ prelude by Mr. A. L. Titsworth. The choir included the following singers: Mrs. J. C. Van Dyke, Miss Emma U. King, Miss Fannie Mattison, Miss Emma Whitlock and Messrs. H. J. Martin, C. P. Wheeler, Fred Cutter, Chas. Wheeler, Jr. Besides the singing of sweet carols, and responsive reading by the Superintendent Mr. E. E. Anthony, and the school, Miss Nettie Kreitling and Master Willie Coriell each recited some poetry in a pleasant way. Miss Emma King rendered a lovely solo, "Why these strains of joyful music," the choir joining in the chorus. No. 15 in the order of exercises was a recitation by Miss Lillie May Wright and Master Ulmer Wheeler, which was recited in a highly commendable manner. The address by Rev. Mr. Schenck, the pastor, was thoroughly enjoyed by all, and the younger scholars of the school listened as attentively to his words of wisdom as the older ones did. Said he in part: There's a story told in every city and town today of the three wise men who left their home in the East in quest of a king; their only guide was a star to lead them to the earth's Redeemer; these men were determined on seeing the new born king; they followed the star for miles and miles over malaria marshes and plains to Jerusalem; they supposed that the new born king would be found in a palace, but lo! he was found lying in a manger; here is a lesson for all of us to learn; those seeking the Redeemer should not be discomfited, but press on, following the example of the three wise men; you and I expect to find the Lord in crowded congregations, but oftentimes he comes in the quiet of our home; the wise men worshipped the king; they did him honor and obedience; they took up a collection; one brought gold, another brought frankincense, and the third myrrh; one gave up his means and laid his gold at the feet of the Lord; another thanksgiving and adoration and another his trials and troubles; so with us let us lay our troubles at the feet of the Lord; in some houses today where all were made happy the Lord was forgotten; let us remember that the Lord's stocking hangs up; let us give to the Lord those souls which he purchased with his own blood. The exercises closed with the benediction.

CRESCENT AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN.

The service in this church, Tuesday morning, included an appropriate sermon by the Rev. Mr. Richards, and music by the regular choir. Gounod's "Nazareth" was sung as an anthem for the opening piece, and Miss Holmes' and Mr. Gavett's solo parts were well rendered. Mrs. Myers' solo in Adolph Adams' "O, Holy Light," was also decidedly pleasing. The "Gloria," from Mozart's Twelfth Mass, was very satisfactorily given as an offertory. The Christmas exercises of the Sunday school took place at four o'clock in afternoon. The programme included singing, responsive reading, and an address by the pastor. Because of the indisposition of Mrs. Myers, Miss Holmes sang her solo, "The Christ Child," by Beardsley Van DeWater. Miss Utter's organ selections, both morning and evening, added greatly to the musical portion of the day's services. The social gathering of the scholars of this church will take place today; the primary department at 3:30 this afternoon, and the older ones at 7:30 this evening.

HOLY CROSS CHURCH.

The ceremonies at Holy Cross Church on Sunday were most interesting and the handsome edifice was elaborately decorated with evergreen and holly, the latter being furnished through the kindness of Mr. Thos. E. Warman, of Grove street. Rev. T. Logan Murphy, the rector, preached a short and appropriate sermon, and administered the Holy Communion, being assisted in the latter service by the Rev. Mr. Schroeder of New Milford, Ct. Pleasing choral selections were well rendered and a large congregation was in attendance. The offering for Muhlenberg Hospital netted $79 to that institution. A service for children took place in the afternoon, during which each class of the Sunday School was presented with a handsome new banner. The annual Christmas celebration of the Sunday School will occur in the church on Wednesday, at 4 p. m., on which occasion the little ones of the Children's Home have been invited to participate in the festivities.

FRIENDS' FIRST-DAY SCHOOL.

Friends' First-day School held its usual Christmas festival Monday afternoon in the venerable century-crowned meeting house on Peace street. Happy-faced children assembled in full force, and a large number of interested visitors were also there. The exercises opened with reading the XIX Psalm by Henry Adams, following which, Superintendent Harper, after a few remarks, called up Emma Weigman, Lulu Jenkins, Lizzie Rossetter, May Shultz, Maggie Coriell, Lina Sargent, Lottie Messersmith, Lissa Livesey, and Lillie Garretson, who alternately and with credit to themselves, repeated portions of "That Glorious Song of Old," commencing—

"It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold."

Several individual recitations were then well rendered by members of the different classes, including Lilla Livesey, Lilla May Wright, Ephy Vail and others, when six boys—Willard Case, Howard Case, George Townley, Roby Mosher, Clarence Vail, and Harry Denkelew took the floor, and responding to words from the Superintendent, recited verse by verse—"Touch Not; Taste Not." The exercises throughout were creditable to all concerned, and drew forth approving comments from Aaron M. Powell, who made a brief, but appropriate address. An abundant supply of ice cream and cake, and the placing in the hands of each scholar a box of candies and an orange, closed the plain but pleasant anniversary of Friends' First-day School.

WARREN MISSION.

Sunday was a great day for the scholars of Warren Mission chapel, for during the afternoon of that day, occurred the annual Christmas celebration. The service included Scripture reading and song, entitled "The True Light." It was arranged by Rev. Dr. Lowry of this city. Councilman Dunham presided and the school of well-trained voices made the echo of beautiful carols ring throughout the building. The decorations, too, were very neat and attractive, and considerable skill was displayad in arranging the flowers and evergreens. The instrumental music for the occasion was furnished by Mr. Geo. Rogers at the organ, Mr. C. P. Wheeler, violinist, and Mr. DeWitt Frazee, cornetist. A pleasing feature of the entertainment was a recitation by four girls from the Primary Department, viz: Lida Pangborn, Lillie Myrex, Sadie Holmes, Minnie Gulick. Elmer and Gracie Van Aken also gave recitations, the latter interspersing music, and singing "Nearer My God to Thee." The address was delivered by Rev. Mr. Schenck, who spoke of Christmas day and briefly illustrated what it commemorates. First, the day Christ was born, and the advent of his coming into the world; second, to properly observe the day we must have the spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ—kind, loving, peaceful, tender; third, in order that the day may be a happy one, we must do good; not only receive, but give. The happiest child today is not the one who alone receives the most, but the one who also gives. The speaker told a touching incident of a little girl who approached him at the close of the morning service in his church and handed him an envelope, bearing the inscription: "For Mr. Schenck, from little Anna." The envelope contained a pin cushion made by a little girl who was at home sick. His remarks with reference to the little girl were very affecting, and many persons in the audience were moved to tears. The evening service was more largely attended. The meeting opened with a praise service, followed by the singing of carols and part songs under the direction of Mr. M. M. Dunham. Several of the young lady scholars of the school gave recitations.

FIRST BAPTIST.

The morning service in the First Baptist church was entirely in accordance with the day. The musical part of the programme was especially interesting and included a choir of 26 voices, with organ, piano and violin accompaniments. Rev. Dr. Yerkes, the pastor, preached a Christmas sermon. In the afternoon the scholars of Mt Olive Baptist Sunday school, met with the First Baptist school, in the latter church and took part in the Christmas service, of scripture reading and singing. Rev. W. D. McClintock delivered the address, and Mrs. Geo. A. Chapman sang sweetly "The Angels Song," the scholars joining in the chorus. The scholars of Mt. Olive Sunday school sang a carol, "Joy, joy, Christ is Born;" and Rev. Mr. Mitchell pronounced the benediction. The decorations, although not elaborate, were neat. Over the pulpit was suspended the following inscription: "Joy to the World, Christ is born today."

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. Dr. Ketcham preached a special sermon to young people on Sunday morning, and a selected choir under the direction of Mr. E. St. John, the organist, rendered special music. In the afternoon the scholars of the school held their celebration, which consisted in part of singing and responsive reading. After the exercises, the Young Peoples' Society of the church held a meeting, and Rev. Dr. Ketcham made an address.

M. E. CHURCH.

Rev. Dr. Van Meter on Sunday morning took his text from Luke 7: 45—"And Thou Gavest Me No Kiss." At the close of the sermon the rite of baptism was administered to eight persons, Rev. Dr. Hurlbut, assisting in the service. An appeal for $300 was made, for the purpose of equipping the new Sunday school room with a library, etc., and $287 was the hearty response. The choir was composed of eleven female and five male voices. Mr. D. E. Davis was the organist. An interesting programme of music, recitations, etc., was rendered by the Sunday school in the afternoon.

GRACE CHURCH.

The usual good taste and skill was displayed in decorating Grace church for the annual Christmas festival, which took place on Sunday. The order of exercises and the special programme of music was published in THE PRESS of Saturday.

IN THE OTHER CHURCHES.

In both St. Mary's and St. Joseph's churches the day was appropriately observed. Three masses were celebrated at 6:30, 8:30 and 10:30 a. m. At Netherwood and Evona, services of a special nature were also held. At Bethel Mission Christmas anthems were sung on Sunday afternoon.

Almost a Conflagration.

About seven o'clock yesterday morning Mr. A. J. Leader, residing on the corner of Duer street and Mercer avenue, North Plainfield, discovered flames issuing from an outbuilding belonging to Mr. Lewis E. Barkelew, adjoining on Emily street. Mr. Leader, recognizing the fact that our fire department is in a crippled condition, at once went to work with buckets, and, assisted by a passer-by, succeeded in quenching the flames, which, had they gained control, would have done much damage, as two barns adjoin the outbuilding where the fire originated, in consequence of the carelessness of a servant in depositing live ashes in the structure. Mr. Leader is to be commended for his promptness in extinguishing the incipient fire which might have made a disastrous one.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Miss Aiken, of New York, is visiting Miss Mooney, of Grove street.

Mr. Philip Swain will lead the Young Men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. rooms to-night.

Rev. Mr. Schenck spent yesterday and to-day among his old parishoners at Philadelphia, Pa.

John Polak, of Rutgers College, son of Mr. K. T. Polak, of Netherwood, is home for the holidays.

Misses Grace and Ethel Daniel, of Plainfield avenue, are visiting relations in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Richard Barkalew of Newark, a brother of L. E. Barkalew of the Borough, visited our city Christmas.

Henry King of New York, accompanied by his son, is visiting his brother Mr. John King of West Second street.

Mr. Kitchell, formerly an instructor in Mr. Leal's school, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lowrie, M. D.

General Baggage Agent Garretson at the depot, extends his thanks to his friends for their Christmas remembrance.

Mr. George Sanders, accompanied by his sister, Miss Lizzie, spent a merry Christmas with friends in Brooklyn and Flatbush.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkins, of Orange, spent a merry Christmas at the residence of Mrs. Wilkins' mother, Mrs. E. Chapin, East Fifth street.

Mr. Rush Rhees, of Amherst College, is a guest at the residence of his sister, Mrs. E. St. John, "Rock View Terrace," in the Borough.

Mr. Wilbur Chamberlin and wife of Jersey city, are the guests of Mr. Amos Moffett of West Sixth street, the father of Mrs. Chamberlin.

Miss Wotherspoon, formerly of this city, but now of New York, is the guest during holiday week of Mrs. Wm. P. Smith, of Netherwood.

Mr. John Broomfield and family of Evona are spending the holiday week in Brooklyn, N. Y., as the guests of Mr. Broomfield's daughter.

Messrs. R. W. Rice & Co., successors to Mr. Wm. H. Shotwell, presented each of their clerks with a Christmas present in the shape of a silk umbrella.

Mr. J. E. White, formerly in the dry and fancy goods business on West Front street, started on a six month's pleasure trip yesterday. He will first visit New Orleans, La.

Cashier Carmon Parse is now a resident of Grove street, in the Borough of North Plainfield, having moved into his new house, opposite Prospect Place, on Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest O. Chamberlin, of New York city are visiting the parents of the former on Madison avenue. Mr. Chamberlin was editor of the (late) Plainfield *Daily Bulletin* and is now a member of the New York *Sun* staff.

Lewis and Frank Archibald, who formerly resided in this city, after an absence of thirteen years, spent Christmas with friends here. They express surprise at the rapid progress Plainfield has accomplished during their absence.

Mr. George Demler, of the "Notch Hotel," was the recipient of several handsome Christmas presents from his friends and family. Among them was a beautiful bear skin robe, which would keep any man and his girl warm when sleighriding.

The funeral of the late Mason Leland, son of Mr. Benjamin Leland, of Leland avenue, took place from the First Baptist church on Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. There was a large attendance of friends and relatives. The Rev. Dr. Yerkes conducted the services, and the remains were interred in the First Baptist cemetery.

Among the early Christmas surprises on Monday morning was that of the B. C. F. association, accompanied by a full string band, which made a pleasant call on Mr. Joseph Dawe, of Orchard Place, and Mr. Glancy, of West Front street. The visitors were well received in both instances and met with a cordial Christmas greeting.

Bender Bros, of Elizabeth, wholesale meat dealers, sent a car-load of beef, sheep and lamb to their numerous customers in this city on Friday morning last, to be served up to their Christmas patrons. The cattle averaged 1200 lbs each and Canada sheep 100 lbs each dressed. Mr. David Smalley of this city, is one of Bender Bros. trusted employees.

The funeral of the late Francis Mc Intyre took place from St. Mary's church yesterday morning at ten o'clock. Rev. Father Kelly, formerly of this city, but now of Jersey City, celebrated a solemn requiem mass for the repose of the deceased's soul, assisted by Rev. Father Smyth and Rev. Father Flood. A special choir from Jersey City was present and sang appropriate selections. Interment made in St. Mary's cemetery.

—The influx of visitors to the city yesterday was noticeably large. The outpouring was also large.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

THE STRIKE ENDED.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 27.—An amicable settlement was reached early this morning regarding the great strike of the Reading railroad employees. General superintennent Sweigerd has sent out the following message to several of the chief officers of the railroad:—

"The strike is settled and men will return to work."

The company refuses to treat with the strikers as Knights of Labor, but as employes of the Reading.

Presentation to Chief Waters.

Chief Waters of the Plainfield Fire Department was last evening the recipient of a lovely testimonial from the members of Zephyr Hook and Ladder Company, in the shape of a handsome white 42-cone fireman's hat, bearing the following inscription:

"Presented to J. E. Waters by his friends of Zephyr H. and L. Co. No. 1, Dec. 25th, 1887."

The presentation took place in the parlor of Zephyr Hook and Ladder Co's house. Besides the Chief, who was waited upon at his home, the only persons present were President Jones of the Fire Board, First Assistant T. J. Lyness, Second Assistant M. Flynn, Foreman Jacob Blimm, Messrs. Chas. Westerfield, C. L. Davis, F. A. Glaentzer and a PRESS reporter. Foreman Blimm called the gathering to order, and President Jones was subsequently made chairman. The latter upon taking the chair said: "Will the Chief please step this way." Chief Waters advanced to the desk, and Mr. Jones in a few congratulatory remarks presented the hat to him. In return Chief Waters said that he was a pretty old boy for Santa Claus to visit, but he thanked the members of Zephyr Hook and Ladder company for the kindly disposition they had shown toward him. The forty-two Cones on the hat, represents Mazeppa Hose Company No. 42 of New York, of which Company the Chief's father was a member for many years. Other remarks were made by those present, all eulogizing the Chief. President Jones was given a unanimoos vote of thanks for presiding, and after cigars had been passed around, all adjourned to the lower floor to inspect the truck. Mr. Jones expressed himself as highly pleased, and said he had always considered the Truck company one of the most efficient companies in the Department. The interior of the truck house presents an attractive appearance since the parlor walls have been newly papered and other improvements made. Chief Waters has kindly loaned the hat to THE PRESS, and it is now on exhibition in our office window.

Reform Cub Meeting.

Reform Hall had a full and very attentive audience last Sunday night. President French was at his accustomed post of duty, and the regular choir, led by Mr. Vanderbeek, with Miss Alice Smith as organist, most beautifully discoursed music appropriate to the season of Christmas. Rev. Mr. McClintock read the opening scripture lesson, and Chaplain Honeyman offered prayer. Rev. Mr. McClintock, a young appearing gentleman, late of Kentucky, but now a resident of Plainfield and engaged in the Chautauqua work, then addressed the assembled throng in such a clear and logical manner, interesperced with so many self-evident truths, that he held the ear of every listener from the beginning to the close of his eloquent and well delivered remarks.

Mr. McClintock commenced by saying that there were two ways to get rid of the saloon evil. One was to drive it out, and the other to starve it out, and following a line of intelligent argument, enumerated different kinds of sin-habits, and told how they could and should be conquered. Will power, born of faith in the Lord Jesus, was the remedy.

President French followed with an earnest appeal for signers to the pledge of total abstinence, and several came forward and responded by affixing their signatures to the roll. He also gave notice that Rev. Mr. Richards, of Crescent avenue church, would deliver a lecture in the Reform Hall free course next Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock, on "amusements," and that Col. George W. Bain, of Kentucky, the eminent temperance orator, had been engaged to speak in the Hall Sunday evening, January 1st. He also stated that a New Year's reception would be given by the ladies in Reform Hall parlors on Monday, January 2d, day and evening, to which the public were cordially invited. The highly interesting meeting closed with the benediction pronounced by Rev. Mr. McClintock.

—Van Emberg & White have a simple suggestion to make. See their card on the 4th page of the THE PRESS.

—The man who waited all Summer for a job at shoveling snow, changed his occupation on Saturday, and is now open for engagements at gardening.

A BREAK IN THE STRIKE

1500 MEN IN READING REFUSE TO OBEY THE ORDER.

Their Action May Seriously Interfere With the Striker's Plans—Powderly's Substitute Says the Strike is Illegal.

READING, Pa., Dec. 27.—The striking Philadelphia & Reading employes in Philadelphia and along the main line and branches received a blow yesterday that is likely to destory their organization completely.

The employes in this city, numbering fifteen hundred men, held a meeting yesterday afternoon and decided not to strike, and appointed a committee to visit Philadelphia with a view to having the men there return to work at once. They regard the action of their Philadelphia brethren as decidedly premature and of an entirely local character.

They say the executive committee acted hastily and should not have called out the entire district. Reading officials say, however, that they will never recognize the Knights of Labor as a body or committee from any of their respective assemblies. If the men have any grievances they must apply as individuals.

The fact that the Reading district is regarded as one of the best equipped in the country has caused many persons to believe that the Knights of Labor as an organization has received its death-blow and will never be able to recover from it. The Reading officials say they have all the help they need and will attempt to start out all trains to-day as usual. There is, however, still some uneasiness and it is feared they may have considerable trouble in the coal regions.

With the aid of the coal and iron police they hope to be able to protect their employes and in a few days expect to have all trains running as usual. It is believed that the stand taken by the Reading men here yesterday will cause a stampede and hundreds of the oldest employes outside of this city will return to their posts to-day.

Coal traffic from the great anthracite regions remains at a standstill. Five thousand loaded coal cars was the average sent to tidewater every twenty-four hours. Yesterday and to-day not a pound of coal was moved. Freight traffic has likewise ceased. The sidings from Pottsville to Philadelphia are full of coal and freight cars, where they have been left by the employes.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—Yesterday was a legal holiday in Pennsylvania, and the fact that even ordinary railroad freight traffic would be practically suspended prevented any developments in the Reading strike from becoming outwardly manifest. It is said, however, that both parties to the stubborn contest are as doggedly determined as ever.

A meeting of the executive committee of the strikers, who inaugurated the movement, was in session at Port Richmond all day and part of the night.

It adjourned shortly before midnight. A committee from Reading and another from Bridgeport were present, and according to their representations the men at those places are anxious to keep up the fight to the bitter end. It was learned that all reports of a disposition to compromise emanated from the headquarters of the railroad officials themselves and were without the slightest basis.

It was voted to maintain the position taken at the outset, and the enthusiasm and firm determination shown indicates that the trouble is as far from settlement as ever. Captain Eastman, one of the general organizers of the Knights of Labor, but not connected with the Reading company, who was seen shortly after a private interview with General Manager McLeod, said that he saw no signs of an immediate settlement.

"The fight has not begun yet," said a member of the committee. "To-day, when the company attempts to start up, there will be a genuine show of hands. We don't propose to molest anybody, but we are determined to secure recognition and arbitration. We are more determined than ever to bring the matter to an issue. The company thought that Port Richmond would strike, and strike alone, but they will learn that the fight of Port Richmond is the fight of the whole line."

The committee said their apparent anxiety was because they appreciated the responsibility of ordering out the remaining Knights of Labor who are now at work. This includes the ordering out of the passenger service. It may be done, as the committee expressed the determination to remove every obstacle in the way of success.

"We are thinking of giving the general order for all to strike," said the chairman. "But will await developments of the first day's resumption of work."

A despatch by way of Reading that she knights in this city are opposed to the strike and will do all in their power to to break it has not given the Port Richmond people much concern, They declared that it affects a very small contingent of the order, who will be overruled by the majority. It is sufficient to note, however, that the general board of the knights have refused to take any part in the fight. Powderly is still sick in bed, but A. A. Carlton, who is acting for him, said that he did not know anything about it except what he had seen in the papers. He said:

"While I deeply regret that the strike has occurred, I do not think it is a matter of interference. That the strike was purely illegal so far as the laws of the order are concerned, there is no doubt, as the strikers simply called a convention of the Reading employes without consulting any officers of the general executive board. Legally they have no claim on the order, and as they have made the strike a local affair I do not see how their defeat, should they be defeated, can affect the order.

"I have always had my doubts," he continued, "about the general board interfering in case of a strike. The men who started the strike on the Gould Missouri system and the victims who are now suffering the effects of it admit it. It only goes to show that calmness and dispassionate coolness are always best in labor troubles, and strikes ordered by hot-headed men who make and listen to incendiary speeches are generally failures."

Officials of the Reading road say they will have all the help they need to man their engines to-day. The company has notified the mayor and that functionary has assured them that ample police protection will be accorded in case of an outbreak.

Conservative people do not anticipate anything of the sort and the orderly attitude of the strikers thus far gives ground for the hope that there will be no breach of the peace. All the same the situation is mighty interesting.

Ex-Cashier Hood Captured.

NORWICH, Conn, Dec. 27.—Ex-Cashier T. R. Hood of the water department, who misappropriated the sum of $6,200, was arrested in bed at his home, at 2.30 yesterday morning, by Capt. Bowen and five policemen. Hood fled from Norwich three months ago, but has been home to Norwich one week. He is now in the lockup in default of bail to the amount of $7,500.

THE CHICAGO KNIGHTS.

A Bitter Fight Not Expected Over the Election of Officers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The canvass for officers of district assembly No. 24 of the Knights of Labor for the coming year has been carried on quietly by both sides—the radicals and the conservatives—for some time. It was the intention to make a bitter fight over the election, but the radicals saw that they would lose heavily on account of the rebellion against the present administration, whereby several local assemblies would be suspended and would not have a vote in the district assembly. Although the radicals had a majority sufficient to insure the election of their candidates as long as all their strong local assemblies had their delegates in the district, they were apprehensive of the fight if these assemblies should be dropped. The conservatives are not sure of victory in the district at any time and are glad to avoid a conflict. Hence, both sides have of late tried to induce the present officers to stand for re-election and met with some success. District No. 24 has gone through the most trying period of its existence during the past year, and its officers are considered worthy of re-election as a recognition of their services during that time. They were elected by the radicals, but did not turn out quite as radical as their friends hoped they would, but they have satisfied most of their friends, and by opposing some of the most rabid have made friends among the conservatives.

Fatal Experimenting With Dynamite.

JOLIET, Dec. 27. The Joliet Water Works company, which is digging mains and blasting through rocks, left their giant powder exposed, when some boys, who infest the streets, found it. A crowd of youngsters stole a quart can full of the explosive on yesterday morning and began experiments with it. The result was the blowing up of the entire crowd. Three were injured: George Hanson, who lighted the fuse; John Rosenwich and Frank Jackson. The can exploded with terrible force, hurling all three forty feet. Hanson was terribly burned. His face was scorched to a crisp, his eyes blown out, his hair burned off and his clothes torn from his body. The other two were slightly injured.

Maxwell Becomes a Catholic.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 27.—Hugh M. Brooks, better known as Maxwell, the trunk murderer, astonished the prisoners in the jail this morning by taking his first communion and becoming a member of the Catholic church. He was faultlessly attired in a black Prince Albert suit, and went through the ceremony with great earnestness. His case is still pending in the United States supreme court on a motion for a writ of error. It is generally conceded that the supreme court can do nothing but affirm the judgment when the case is heard. If this follows, Maxwell will be executed within a month after the affirmation of the sentence.

Charleston's Christmas.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 27.—Monday, Christmas Day, was characterized here by several disgraceful affrays. The police stations were crowded with prisoners and many fatal fights occurred. The streets were thronged all day long with drunken negroes. Sunday night a merchant shot and killed a negro who attacked him with a knife. A negro boy was brought to the station house bleeding to death from wounds received in a street fight. During the afternoon two negroes had a fight in which each received wounds that will result fatally.

The Dangers of Coasting.

ITHACA, Dec. 27.—As is customary at Christmas the city authorities gave coasters the exclusive use of Buffalo hill, a long and steep declivity, on Saturday and Monday. During that time there have been three serious accidents. While steering down a party of ladies one young man had his hip so wrenched that he may be crippled for life. Patrick McKale received serious internal injuries, and another man had his finger so mangled as to require amputation.

A Wisconsin Town in Ashes.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 27.—The best part of Wakefield, Wis., is in ashes. Among the buildings destroyed are the Wakefield bank, Haywood, Westcott & Murray's large general store, Milinthal's clothing store, the Coliseum theatre, a dozen saloons and a large number of dwelling houses—about forty buildings in all. The loss is $100,000. The fire started in the Coliseum theatre, where a monkey overturned a lamp.

Urging Organized Resistence.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 27.—C. Delano, President of the National Wool-Growers' association, has issued a circular addressed to the wool-growers of the United States, calling for organization to resist the abolition of the tariff on wool. He advises that each subordinate organization send strong petitions to congress; that members write letters to their congressmen, and that all use their influence with Grangers to do the same thing.

His Last Christmas Spree.

ALBANY, Dec. 27.—Patrick Gallagher, at Malone, began a Christmas drunk Sunday night, carrying a bottle of stimulants home with him. He sat down at a table and drank. On Monday morning the light was found burned out and Gallagher dead. Paris green covered the floor. It is thought that he took paris green while drunk by mistake.

No Hope For Editor Littleton.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 27.—Editor Littleton who was shot by Joe Banks yesterday, was worse yesterday afternoon and has continued so all night, with no symptoms favorable to his recovery. His physicians have no hope. Several of the buckshots penetrated his liver, and it is deemed too hazardous to probe for them Banks is still in jail.

Swindled by a Lieutenant of Militia.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 27.—It is now alleged that Captain Shea, of the Emmet Light Artillery, who has absconded with $600 or more, also swindled the management of the Chicago military encampment by putting a bill for the transportation of a much larger number of men than were with the battery.

Mangled by Moving Machinery.

FREEPORT, Pa., Dec. 27.—The clothing of Barnard Moss, an old employe at Distillery No. 8, got caught in the cog whels at the distillery yesterday morning, and before the engine could be stopped Moss was drawn into the machinery and so terribly mangled that he died in a few minutes.

The Schooner Jesse Murdock Ashore.

LEWES, Del., Dec. 27.—The schooner before reported ashore at Green Run, Va., is the Jesse Murdock. She left Wareham, Mass., December 17, for Norfolk, Va.

FRAGMENTS OF HISTORY.

BY the Royal Marriage act passed in England in 1772 none of the descendants of George III., under twenty-five years of age could marry without the King's consent, and the consent of Parliament was necessary after that age.

IN the year 1717 the "Vinegar Bible" was issued from the Clarendon press of Oxford University. The name was derived through an error, in the heading to the twentieth chapter of St. Luke, making the "Parable of the Vineyard" read "Parable of the Vinegar."

VICTOR HUGO once made a plea in verse to King Louis Philippe for the life of a condemned man, whose life had on a previous occasion been refused him. The poet in his verse brought to the King's heart and mind incidents connected with the death and birth of his daughter and her child, and the effect was the granting of the petition.

IN regard to oaths in testimony this is related: In England people used to kiss their thumbs instead of the Bible. In the Middle Ages people swore by the touch of relics. The invading Danes in England held most sacred a certain ring or armlet. Hamlet and his friends laid their hands on their sword blades, and in Homer Zeus swears by the earth with his hand on that planet.

AT one time the handkerchief was a tabooed article in France. It is said it was even beyond the daring of an actress to display one on the stage. This state of things was reversed by the Empress Josephine who began carrying a costly lace affair which, it is said, she constantly raised to her lips to conceal her bad teeth. After this the handkerchief rapidly rose in favor.

IN the day of Pliny, according to his writings, there were some great wine drinkers. Among them was Torquatus who was knighted by Tiberius Claudius about the beginning of the Christian era with the title of Tricongius, or the three-gallon knight, because he could drink three gallons of wine at one draught. It is said of Caius Posi, during the reign of Tiberius, that he would sit for two days and nights drinking almost without intermission.

MORE than three centuries and a half have passed away since the broken heart of Christopher Columbus was laid at rest in Valladolid. Here his remains reposed for eleven years, when they were taken to Seville. In 1536 they were moved thence to the island of Hayti. Over 250 years after San Domingo claimed the bones, where for a short time they remained until shipped back to Havana. The last interment occurred in 1795 and now another resurrection is imminent.

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THE SACO BANK ROBBER.

HE TELLS A REMARKABLE STORY OF WANDERING.

Two hours After the Robbery He Would Have Given the World if He Could Have Replaced His Pilferings.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 26.—Frank McNealy the Saco bank thief, now that he is free gives a full account of why and how he robbed the bank, how he escaped and where he went. Frank had been in slight financial difficulties through a third person and during the month of July had been helping himself to small sums from the bank to tide him through. But he would not make false entries on the books or change dates, as he might have done to cover up his minor defalcations. On the afternoon of Aug. 26 the idea entered his head that he might help himself to both bonds and money, and so relieve himself of his troubles. Hardly a minute had elapsed from the time the thought occurred until he had slipped the bonds into his pocket. Then he helped himself to the $5,000 in cash. Just as the bank was closing a train was leaving and he jumped on board, without knowing where he was bound for, but soon found himself in Vermont.

Two hours later he would, he says, have given the world if he could have been back in Saco and replaced his pilferings before the bank opened in the morning. But he was too far away to return in time for that. Then he hoped he would be identified and taken back. These hopes were succeeded by fears that he would not be arrested. From Vermont he went to Montreal, where he bought a draft on the London branch of the bank of Montreal, and thence he went to Quebec, whence he sailed for Liverpool on Sept, 3. To show that the robbery was not premeditated he said that if he had wanted to do so, he could have run away three days before with $1,500,000 and $2,000,000 worth of bonds and securities, which were at that time under his control. He spent some months in England, but life was a misery; he shunned society and dreaded to meet any one.

From England he went to Paris and thence to Egypt. The bonds were done up in a little parcel about 18 inches long, 6 inches wide and 5 inches thick, and placed in his trunk. He never opened them or touched them from the time he first placed them there until at Cairo, when he wrote the bank officials, confessing the crime and offering to return them. The bonds were returned to the bank direct from Cairo, and since then the bank officials have been cognizant of his movements. He went to Halifax with their full knowledge and approval. The whole thing has been settled up.

The bank will not lose a dollar. "Not a single dollar," said Harry. There is no charge against Frank by the bank. It has lost nothing, and when the grand jury meets on the first week in January, the indictment against him, based upon a mistaken statement of the circumstances under which the breach of trust was committed, will be quashed. Frank was simply waiting in Halifax until that was done, when he intended to return home, and if it hadn't been for the smart Boston reporter who exposed him this story might never have been known. Detective Power, who arrested McNeally, after the reporter gave him the cue, claims the $7,500 reward, but it will be strange if he gets a cent.

As soon as the indictment is quashed, his brother says, Frank will return to Saco. "He could get a dozen situations there," says Harry, "The last words A. M. Cokel, a dry goods merchant, said to me were: "If there's not a vacancy in my store when he comes back I'll make one for him."

MR. MANNING'S FUNERAL.

The President and His Cabinet Were In Attendance.

ALBANY, Dec. 26.—The arrangements for Mr. Manning's funeral were completed yesterday. Because of the limited capacity of St. Paul's Church nearly the entire edifice will be reserved for all of the prominent persons from abroad and the societies who will attend. An elaborate musical programme will be given. The regular church choir is to be augmented by the choirs of other city churches, and will number 60 voices. Director Oliver has composed an anthem for the occasion, "I Heard a Voice from Heaven," for alto solo and female chorus. The Rev. Livingston Reese, rector of St. Paul's, will officiate. Bishop William Crosswell Doane and the clergy of this city and in this part of the diocese will participate. The casket will not be opened at the church, and the lid will be removed only from 9 to 11 o'clock at the house and then none but intimate friends will be permitted to gaze upon the features of the dead statesman.

President Cleveland and party have just arrived and gone direct to the executive mansion, and from there will go to the church.

"Tax" Reid Dead.

ALBANY, Dec. 27.—William Reid, one of Albany's best-known citizens, is dead, after a brief illness. He was known as "Tax" Reid from the fact that he was always buying tax titles. He was said to be very hard on persons whose property was sold for taxes. His estate is estimated to be worth from $250,000 to $300,000. He was born in County Down, Ireland, 78 years ago, and came to this city at an early age. In all his transactions, it is said, no one ever got the better of him. He was rated to be better posted on the laws governing real estate than most lawyers. He was the architect of his own fortunes. Dress never bothered him, and on the street he had the appearance of a man who labored daily. He was a devout Presbyterian.

A Gang of Burglars Captured.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 27.—Detectives yesterday morning arrested James Owens, "Ed" Shields and George Adams. Owens, leader of the gang, has been recognized as the man who shot Moy Lee the Chinese laundryman, in a quarrel over a bill. The gang is the one that robbed Bergh's jewelry store and Pannell's furnishing store, and some of the spoils were found in their rooms.

From Comfort to Poverty and Death.

SHARON, Dec. 27.—John M. Veatch died in Shenango township, this county, Monday. His history was a sad one. A few years ago his check was good for any amount up to $30,000, but financial reverses reduced him so low that his last bed was a door laid on two chairs, and the only food his family had was buttermilk and cornmeal.

Charles B. Rouss's Charity.

WINCHESTER, Va., Dec. 27.—Charles A. Rouss, a merchant doing business on Broadway, N. Y., feasted over one thousand of the poor of the city to-day. It is his native city and he has done much for the charities here at different times.

THE WAR PROSPECTS

ABYSSINIA AND ITALY TO HAVE A SMALL BATTLE.

More Rioting at St. Petersburg—Mr. Mandeville's Release From Prison—Gladstone Starts For Italy.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Advices from Massowah say that the British mission to Abyssinia was unsuccessful in its efforts to induce King John to sue for peace, and that the Italians are jubilant over the failure. During the journey the misseou was harrassed by Ras Alula. The members will sail for Cairo on the next mail steamer.

RUSSIAN UNIVERSITY BOYS.

They Renew the Disturbances—The Czar is Displeased With the Minister.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—A despatch from St. Petersburg says that the university students there, being irritated by the action of the authorities in confining them to the university buildings, renewed the rioting. The students deny that they were actuated by political motives. They say that their aim is to secure the dismissal of the rector, the abolition of the new university statutes, and the release of the students who were arrested during the recent troubles.

Prof. Mendelejeff promised to impartially report the affair to the curator, whereupon the prefect opened the doors and the students dispersed quietly. The students are not satisfied with Prof. Mendlejeff's promise, however, and have resolved to send a petition to the Czar.

M. Delianow, the minister of public instruction, has tendered his resignation. It has not been accepted, but the Czar is displeased with the minister and has declined to grant him an audience.

Gladstone Starts for Italy.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Mr. Gladstone left Hawarden yesterday, en route for the continent. Three thousand persons gave him an enthusiastic welcome on his arrival at Chester. Large crowds gathered at all the places through which Mr. Gladstone passed and he was everywhere warmly received. Mr. Gladstone was greeted with mingled cheers and groans when he passed through London. While waiting for the train he was visited by Earl Spencer, the Right Hon. Hugh C. Childers, and other prominent men. The journey was made without a stop until Sandwich was reached, where Mr. Gladstone addressed the crowd. He subsequently proceeded to the residence of Lord Northbourne, whose guest he was last night.

The Crown Prince.

SAN REMO, Dec. 27.—Dr. Mackenzie, who has arrived here, says he is greatly pleased with the improvement in the Crown Prince's condition. The small growth in the prince's throat is almost gone. There remains a slight tumefaction on the left ventricular band. The doctor says that time alone can determine the exact nature of the disease. Dr. Mackenzie will start for England on Wednesday next. He thinks the prince might be benefitted by the hot baths of Hamman Rirsa, fifty miles from Algiers, a health resort in winter for consumptive patients and persons afflicted with bronchial troubles.

Mandeville's Release from Jail.

DUBLIN, Dec. 27.—Thousands assembled at Mitchelstown on Saturday to greet Mr. Mandeville on the occasion of his release from prison. Upon his arrival he received a most enthusiastic welcome. Mr. Spaight, a magistrate, and his wife were fired at while driving at Killaloe, county Limerick, yesterday. The horse was killed. No arrests have been made.

Pope Leo XIII. and the Irish Question.

ROME, Dec. 27.—The Pope has instructed Archbishop Walsh and the other visiting Irish prelates to adopt a conciliatory attitude toward the government in Ireland. The Pope yesterday received Queen Victoria's jubilee gift, which was presented by the Duke of Norfolk.

M. Rochefort Assaulted.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—M. Garhier, a member of the company which Mme. Bernhardt took with her to America, assaulted M. Rochefort in the street yesterday. The cause of the attack was an adverse criticism on M. Garnier's acting.

A Russian Sympathizer Arrested.

VIENNA, Dec. 27.—The editor of the *Parlewentaire Viennois* has been arrested for eulogizing Russia in the columns of his journal.

WANTS TO FIGHT FOR SAMOA.

Senator Hearst Says America Should Prevent German Ascendancy at Apia.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Senator Hearst of California, is not at all backward in expressing his opinion regarding the German occupation of the Samoan Islands. He thinks our rights ought to be satisfactorily established in the island, even if war should result.

When asked how he proposed to secure these rights, the California senator replied:—

"If the Germans refuse to give us equal privileges with themselves in Samoa we ought to fight if necessary to secure them. We made a mistake in permitting the Germans to secure a foothold there. We will make another mistake if we allow them to retain their present ascendency to the exclusion of other nations—ourselves particularly.

When it was suggested to Senator Hearst that we have no navy with which to fight Germany the Senator doggedly answered:

"That may be true, but that has nothing to do with the question. We don't want to consider our navy. We must first consider our rights. Let the consequences be what they may. If we show a bold front Germany will take the hint and treat us fairly. If we are going to back down every time our rights are threatened we will soon become the stock of Nations.

Dakota's Farmers' Alliance.

WATERTOWN, Dak., Dec. 26.—Much of the action at the recent meeting of the Farmers' alliance at Huron was taken in executive session, and the reports that have been made public are very meager. It has leaked out however that the several bills proposed in committee on usury, taxation and and railways, will doubtless be submitted for public consideration soon. It is also reported that among other things the alliance memoralized congress to remove the tariff from all articles for the sale of which a combination or trust has or may be formed.

Killed by Hogs

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Sarah S. Ewing, aged sixty-two, living four miles west of here, was found dead in her barnyard yesterday by her grandson. Her body was terribly mangled by hogs.

ONLY ONE SURVIVOR.

The Schooner Mary G. Collins Goes Down in a Gale With Five Men.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 27.—Capt. Torrey of the schooner M. C. Mosely of Boston, from Gonaives, Hayti, came into Stonington, Conn., on Sunday night, and landed seaman Borden Manchester of Fall River, the sole survivor of the crew of the schooner Mary G. Collins of Philadelphia. Capt. Torrey reports that while in lattitude 30 deg. 10 min., longitude 71 deg. 40 min., and while he was hove to in a severe gale, he saw the Collins hove to and showing signals of distress. Although the sea was running mountains high, he, with great difficulty, launched a boat and went to the relief of the vessel. With the wind blowing a gale it required great effort to keep the yawl afloat.

Inch by inch Capt. Torrey and his gallant crew gained on the sinking vessel, and they would soon have been alongside, but when almost within reach the Mary G. Collins lurched to starboard and sank, taking down the Captain and five of the crew. Manchester was seen clinging to a plank, and was taken aboard the Moseley. Manchester says:

"The Mary G. Collins left Norfolk with a cargo of coal bound for Somerset. On December 15 left Hampton Roads and experienced ordinary weather until one week ago Sunday, when a gale set in that amounted to a hurricane. The vessel became almost unmanageable. Soon the schooner began to leak badly and the men kept at the pumps until nearly exhausted. The water constantly gained on them despite their efforts with the result above stated.

The Big Coke Syndicate.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 27.—The coke operators' meeting to-day will probably result in the formation of a stronger syndicate than the one recently disrupted, inasmuch as the leading independent operators have signified their willingness to become members of the new organization. The H. C. Frick Coke company will not be included in the new syndicate, but no opposition is expected from this firm. It has large contracts with the Carnegies, who own a majority of the stock in the Frick company and for this reason, it is said, the Frick company will maintain an independent position. It is furthhr reported that Andrew Carnegie refused so enter into a combination with the other coke operators, because it might not be convenient for him to carry out the agreement in case of a strike. During the last strike he was placed in a position where he had to have coke, his steel interests being greater than his coke interests, and he could well afford to sacrifice a few hundred dollars in coke and make it bacd in his steel mills.

Against the Tenement House System.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 27.—The cigar-makers of this district, to the number of 1,700, have organized a national cigar-makers' trade district of the Knights of Labor for the purpose fighting the "tenement system," which is carried on extensively here. The new organization expects the co-operation of the international union in the coming contest, which will be very bitter. It is proposed to bring all the workmen into factories and force every tenement-worker to join them or else sustain a boycott. They will not interfere or court a conflict with the international union, but if members of that organization continue to do tenement work they will oppose them and institute a boycott. The members of the union have always antagonized the Knights, claiming that they have not worked in accord with them and rather played into the hands of the manufacturers to defeat the union.

How Christmas Was Spent at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Christmas festivities that were inappropriate on Sundays were ushered in with pleasant weather and enjoyed here quietly yesterday. As most of the national legislators and many public officials had gone away from Washington to their home to spend the holidays, the native population were free to enjoy the day in the old-fashioned way, and they did so. Teere were special religious services in most of the churches, which were well attended. The shadow of gloom caused by the death of ex-Secretary Manning extended to the president's mansion and to the homes of Mr. Manning's old cabinet associates, and interfered with Christian festivities there. Altogether, with the general public, there was an unusually quiet, but still a merry Christmas day.

Ruptured a Blood Vessel in His Brain.

NORWICH, Conn. Dec. 27.—William Waller Poole, the young leader of Poole's drum corps, while engaged in his daily employment in a Greenville factory, was seized with an unaccountable pain in his head. Something gave way, he said, and he ran yelling from the mill with his hands to his head. He continued his run around the mill several times when he was caught and taken to his home. It required several men to hold him in his paroxysms of pain and insanity. Several doctors were summoned, but the young man died in great agony a few hours after the attack. A council of surgeons say a blood vessel in his brain was ruptured.

Five Men Stabbed.

DOVER, N. J., Dec. 27.—A party of forty or fifty Hungarian miners employed at Hibernia, eight miles from here, celebrated Christmas by getting drunk, and the result was a desperate fight among themselves in which stones, clubs, shovels, and knives were freely used. Five were stabbed and of them, Andrew Magar, was stabbed so severely in the back and head by John Sutiot that it is believed he cannot live many hours. The mob is so worked up by drunken frenzy that the local constable is afraid to make arrests, and has just telephoned here for aid.

Honors to a Negro in the South.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 27.—Abram Wright, the old and faithful negro sexton of the Episcopal church here, who has occupied that position since the war, died Sunday, and at his request was buried yesterday afternoon in the churchyard beside the graves of many distinguished persons. The vestrymen and wardens of the church, some of Augusta's best citizens accompanied the remains to the grave, and acted as honorary pall bearers

Clergymen and Anti-Poverty.

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Rev. O. P. Gifford, pastor of the Warren avenue Baptist Church is announced to speak before the Boston Anti-Poverty society next Sunday evening. The announcement has created a general stir among his parishioners. It is rumored that another leading Boston clergyman of the same denomination will address the society in a few weeks.

Burned to Death.

BERGEN POINT, N. J. Dec. 27.—Dennis O' Day, 80 years old, was burned to death in a cabin in the rear of his daughter's house yesterday morning. The fire was causes by the explosion of a lamp.

Professional Cards.

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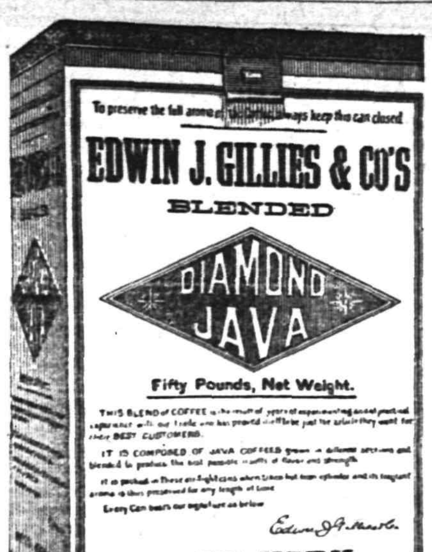

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FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.

Two Persons Instantly Killed and Two Fatally Injured Through Carelessness.

DOWNINGTON, Penn., Dec. 27.—An accident occurred at Walker's Crossing, one mile east of Downington Monday evening, which caused fatal injuries to two men—Hugh Coyle of this place and Albert Gallatin, a printer, whose home is at New Bloomfield, Perry county. He has been employed at the *Advance* office for the past two weeks. The men were walking on the track, and were struck by the milk train, which stops here.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Mr. Charles House, foreman of the Richmond and Danville railroad company's printing office in this city, lives in Alexandria. Sunday he was walking on the railroad near Alexandria with his daughter. While standing between the north and south tracks, absorbed in amusing the child, the southbound limited express struck Mr. House, knocked him on the track, and crushed him so that his remains were hardly recognizable as those of a human body. The child was unhurt.

HUNTINGDON, Penn., Dec. 27.—H. Nichols of London, England, was killed near the Spruce Creek tunnel on the Pennsylvania railroad, about fourteen miles west of this place yesterday. He attempted to board an east-bound freight train, and missing his hold, fell under the train, and had both his legs crushed, causing death about two hours afterward.

W. W. Corcoran Ill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—W. W. Corcoran has been feeble since his severe illness of last summer. On Sunday morning he was anxious to attend church, but not feeling strong enough to go to Ascension, where he usually worships, he went to St. John's, which is much nearer his home. He sat through the long service, and at the celebration of communion his attendant helped him to the chancel rail. He was very much exhausted, and twice endeavored to take bread and wine with his own hands. Finally Dr. Leonard gave him the bread and put the wine to his lips, after which his attendants, fearful of his condition, assisted him to rise and supported him from the church. He was so helpless that it was necessary to carry him to his carriage. At Mr. Corcoran's house it was said that he had not suffered a relapse but that he was in a very feeble condition, although it was not thought there was any cause for immediate alarm. Mr. Corcoran will celebrate his 90th birthday to-day.

Wyoming Valley Not Affected.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 27.—The strike of the Philadelphia and Reading trainmen has practically no effect whatever in the Wyoming coal field. The Philadelphia and Reading road does not penetrate into this valley and the company controls none of the collieries here. Whether or not the strike will extend in such a manner as to affect the mines here cannot be told, but many of the labor leaders in this vicinity believe that the ultimate outcome of the present trouble will be a universal strike throughout the whole anthracite coal fields, in the mines as well as on the railroads.

Smallpox in Penn Yan.

LYONS, N. Y., Dec. 27.—People in the town of Penn Yan are excited over the discovery of a case of smallpox. A lad named Warren Rudd in some way contracted the disease. The health officers have been notified and have quarantined Rudd's house. The local physicians pronounce it a case of smallpox in the most virulent form. It is the first case in this region for over thirty years.

Frozen to Death.

BIG SPRING, Tex., Dec. 27.—The bodies of two men frozen to death were found near hear yesterday. The weather is bitter cold.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

A white deer was killed by a hunter a few days ago near Snow Shoe mountain, Clinton county, Pa.

Gen. Cassala, the Spanish minister of war, has won the first prize, $500,000, in the national lottery.

Fred Dunlap, known among baseball admirers as the "King of the second basemen," will undoubtedly play in Pittsburg next season.

Carroll McBee, who was recently taken from Neosho, Mo., to be tried in Cherokee county, Ala., for the murder of Capt. Joseph Hardwick twenty-two years ago, has been acquitted.

It is said that members of the brotherhood of locomotive engineers who lost their places in the strike of 1887 are anxious to take the places of the present strikers, being inspired by a feeling of revenge

For his Christmas dinner, Henry Irving imported a twenty-seven pound plum pudding, upon which he was obliged to pay Uncle Sam a duty of $5 in order to protect the pudding industry of this country.

In connection with the charges of nefarious practices against Sir George Chetwynd the English turfman, it is stated that Wood, his jockey, will not apply for a license for 1888. The report is denied by Wood himself.

Mrs. Annie O'Neill, a poor widow of Rhinebeck, and her two little children, while on their way home Sunday night with arms full of humble Christmas presents, were struck by a Hudson River train and all three instantly killed.

Officer Moore was set upon by a crowd of toughs while patrolling his beat in Chicago Sunday night and badly injured. The men pounded and kicked the officer about the head, face and body, only desisting when they believed him dead.

"Pony" Moore gave a Christmas dinner in London Monday in honor of Jake Kilrain and Jem Smith. The menu presented the traditional Christmas goose, American turkey, British deer, Welsh mutton, Devonshire sucking pig, Sussex hare, and other delicacies.

Mrs. Patrick Brennan, of Buffalo, N. Y., celebrated Christmas by filling up with whiskey, and when her husband came home he found the turkey had not been cooked. He immediately assaulted the woman, beating her so severely that she died shortly after.

An attempt was made to rob the express train on the Missouri Pacific railroad, near Atoka, I. T. The train was stopped and fifty or sixty shots fired through the express car and sleeper, but the robbers were unable to gain entrance, and finally allowed the train to proceed.

Bal Chumley and Walter Mullins became involved in a quarrel over a prisoner whom Chumley was conveying by train to Mount Vernon, Ky. A scuffle ensued, during which the men fell from the platform as the train was passing through a tunnel. Both were instantly killed.

In spite of the order issued by the mayor of Atlanta, forbidding the sale of liquor between Saturday and Tuesday morning, the city prison was filled to overflowing Sunday and Monday with men, women and children who had absorbed an abnormal quantity of alcoholic enthusiasm.

Frank Hicks, a negro, 117 years of age, is working a small farm in a settlement in Texas. Hicks was formerly a slave in Georgia and has outlived five wives. He cannot remember the number of his children, but competent authority places the total number of his descendants at 1,000.

DESERTED THE WORLD.

A Pair of Cincinnati Artists Who Lead the Life of Hermits.

A most peculiar case of misanthropy and self-imposed seclusion has just come to light in this city, writes a Cincinnati correspondent of the Chicago *Times*, in which two men of undoubted genius and at one time very prominent in artistic circles have been hid from the world and their most intimate friends for nearly a generation, though living within gun-shot of them, and living, too, in the most abject poverty when they might, almost without effort, live in luxury and have won honors and fortune. For nearly thirty years Edward Credland and George Bryce have lived in the same little, dingy, dirty, forlorn back room on an upper floor of the old tenement-house at No. 9 East Third street. They held no intercourse with the other tenants, and, so far as the neighbors could see, with no one outside. The other day a gentleman stumbled upon them who had known one of them in better days, and proclaimed him to be a once famous painter, who had disappeared from his friends and the world a generation ago.

Years ago Edward Credland was a young artist here who gave unusual promise of greatness. He won prizes at exhibitions, and even now his works are in many Cincinnati houses and are valued very highly, all the more because the artist was supposed to have died thirty years ago. One prize picture was that of a dog, which some person, by carelessness or design, mutilated by puncing out an eye. The picture, however, was sold at a high figure, but the sensitive soul of the artist was wounded irreparably. He left this city and went to Dayton, but soon disappeared from there, and no trace of him was ever found. He was supposed to be dead, when, in fact, he had all that time been living in the very heart of his native city.

The case of Bryce is very similar. He is a Scotchman, and when young was an artist of more than usual promise and attainment. His history is not so well known as that of his companion in solitude, but it is known that he became soured on the world many years ago and determined to live only for his art. He wandered away from his father's home here, and somehow got acquainted with Credland, and the two congenial spirits, sympathizing with each other in their love for art and their disgust with the world, have been close companions ever since. They are greatly attached to each other, and spend most of their time in kindly discussion, chiefly on theology, art and the uncharitableness of the world they have left. Their room is dirty, almost totally devoid of furniture, and the rats have free entrance—in fact, furnish company for the two old misanthropes. The dingy walls are covered with paintings, any one of which would sell for enough to put the old men beyond the reach of want, but which they absolutely refuse to part with at any price, because they have sworn the world shall never again have an opportunity to sneer at or condemn their work.

They live on the cheapest food, mostly only bread and coffee, and wear only the poorest and cheapest clothing. By the making of sketches for engravers, and like work, they manage to subsist and to buy paints and canvas for the indulgence of their love for art, which has become a perfect mania with them. When their room will no longer hold their paintings they destroy more or less of them, utterly refusing to give any away, and then begin over again. Now that their friends have found them out, they are not only willing but anxious to help them, but nothing will these two singular old hermits accept, preferring their life of poverty with the rats as their companions and their pictures, with independence and scorn for the world, to any of the comforts they have so long done without.

THE DONKEY PARTY.

Description of a Very Entertaining and Popular Amusement.

A correspondent writes to the Albany *Journal* for information concerning a "donkey party." "What is it?" she asks, "and why is it so called?" and the communication has been turned over to the Tourist for reply. After a period of seclusion, spent in research into the subject, the old man respectfully submits the following: A "donkey party" is a distinctly American form of amusement. Just who invented it the Tourist is unable to say. Its name is founded upon the predominating topic of conversation, and the occupation by which the time is passed; not, as might be supposed, from the conduct of the guests and participants. The first essential move is to provide the guests with scissors. Each pair of scissors is decorated with a gayly-decorated ribbon, and those whose colors match are partners. The next move is to follow the scissors up with a large sheet of paper—one sheet per guest. Then time is called and the fun begins, each participant having five minutes in which to cut out a donkey. A committee, usually of six—three ladies and three gentlemen—is selected to pass judgment, and two prizes are given, one for the best result and the other for the one whose production least resembles the patient, long-eared brute. Often there are four prizes, and the ladies and gentlemen compete separately. Some of the results are quite startling, and one has difficulty, often, in deciding whether the object before him most resembles an electrified octopus or an instantaneous photograph of a Montana cyclone in full operation.

In the next act the "donkeys" (?) are hung on the curtain, and the guests, after being assured that the awful creature are all muzzled, are permitted to see the collective products of their unhealthy imaginations and wonder whose nightmare is the worst. The most amusing part of the programme, however, comes last. A large sheet of paper, on which a donkey is drawn, is hung on the wall. Each victim is provided with a long strip of paper—called, by courtesy, a tail—and a pin. Each "tail" is numbered, and in the order of their numbers the guests come forward and are blindfolded. A curious attendant then spins the first victim around three or four times till the poor individual isn't quite certain whether he or the drawing is the donkey, and then leaves him. The required move is now for the befuddled guest to take the paper tail and pin it on the donkey. And at this point nature weeps. Sometimes the tail is pinned on a poor, unoffending chair some twenty feet away, and bearing sou'-east-by-sou' from the donkey to whom the appendage belongs. Sometimes it is carefully located, and with more or less propriety, according to circumstances, on the coat tail of one of the guests, and about once in forty times within speaking distance of the donkey, to whom it really belongs. Such is the "donkey party" in its civilized state. Some of the donkeys are not "cut out" until the party breaks up, but variations are at the discretion of the host.

SINGULAR OCCURRENCES.

An English gentleman aged eighty years together with another gentleman is reported to have broken the thirty-mile record a tandem tricycling. The old gentleman did a quarter-mile in forty-nine seconds.

Great excitement was occasioned in Amsterdam, N. Y., the other day by the fall of an immense aerolite in one of the principal streets. The heavenly visitant is said to have weighed three tons and when it fell buried itself deeply in the ground.

In a lake near Wallingford, Conn., a strange duel was witness not long ago by several persons. It was between two huge turtles weighing at least fifty pounds each The combat lasted ten minutes and was terminated only by the spectators who sought to capture one of the reptiles.

Near Edison, Pa., the other day a large hawk was seen to attack and carry off a large cat. The animal battled desperately, compelling the bird to release him. As he was falling the hawk swooped down and caught him, but, to its sorrow, for the cat turned and sinking his teeth into the hawk's neck, brought it to earth a dead bird.

A clergyman lately went into his pulpit wearing a pair of trousers which had been hanging in the wardrobe for some time. In the midst of his sermon, as was his habit, he thrust his hand into his trousers-pocket. He paused suddenly and drew out his hand and in it he tightly clutched a nest of young mice. Throwing them under the pulpit he resumed his theme.

A farmer met with a singular accident a few days ago while standing at a Hotel in the city. In a somnambulistic state he jumped from a second-story window into a narrow passage-way between two buildings, and became so tightly wedged in that it took the combined efforts of two men to get him out. Beyond the terrible squeezing he got he was uninjured.

An account is given of the swallowing of a turtle by a young lady of Chicago. She was taken sick in an unaccountable manner and was attended for some time by her physician to whom her case was a puzzle. One day, not long since, she vomited a turtle an inch in diameter which, it was thought, she had swallowed in a glass of water taken in the dark from a hydrant. Her protracted illness and the shock proved fatal.

PROGRESS IN MECHANICS.

There are at present in course of construction in the South, seven cotton-mills which together will occasion an outlay of over three million dollars.

A school for the training of carriage draughtsmen has become an assured feature of the trade-school of New York. The school is intended to take the place, as far as possible, of the old system of apprenticeship.

A concern in Germany has introduced paving-blocks called iron-brick. These are made of ground slate and clay and iron-ore. The composition is moistened with a solution of suphate of iron, pressed, dried and baked.

Glass-workers in Belgium are contemplating the use of rollers in the manufacture of various articles. Sheets of glass heated to a certain temperature will by the use of the rollers be converted into the desired shapes.

French manufacturers have brought the papier-mache process up to a state of high perfection. Objects almost innumerable are now made of it. It is turned into indestructible balls and beads, and fashioned ink-stands, caskets, etc.

A process for the manufacture of continuous tin plates incorporated with steel has been patented by a Jersey City inventor. The plates are rolled first hot, then cold, and polished. This gives a hard and durable sheet of a superior quality.

A telephone without a receiver, thus doing away with much yelling and noise, has been practically introduced in this country. The words are conveyed by the motion of the jaws through a sensative apparatus which is pressed to the neck.

A clock has been invented, and is coming into use in Europe, which is warranted by its manufacturers to run for five years without either winding or regulation. The Belgian government placed one in a railway station in 1881, sealed with the government seal, and it has kept perfect time ever since.

One of the finest and most powerful tools that mechanical science has yet achieved has just been finished at Mulhouse for the French navy. It is a two-carriage universal lathe, which is a complete machine shop in itself, being capable of performing the most varied operations—such as mortising, shaping, boring and moulding—with the most perfect accuracy. It is wonderfully adapted to the delicate and complicated working of pieces for armor-plating for modern war vessels. Its weight is more than 340 tons, and it is driven by an engine of 25 horse-power.

TRANSPIRING ABROAD.

During the last year the Argentine Republic received 120,000 immigrants from Europe. These are principally fram Italy, Germany and Sweden.

A new canal is projected between the Dwina and Dnieper rivers, in Russia. It is thought that the cost will approximate five million dollars.

There were recently shipped from France five hundred of the worst kinds of criminals. The convicts were locked up in cages and carried by water to the penal colony of Cayenne.

A "Medical Missionary Academy" has been organized in Madagascar by English and Norwegian missionaries to secure to native students a greater variety and thoroughness of instruction. Here the medical curriculum expends over five years.

Within a year a great many deaths have occurred among the young farmers in the eastern part of Croatia. Investigation developed the fact that the deceased were in most cases newly-married men who had been poisoned by their wives for their houses and lands.

The total consumption of coffee in Great Britain is about 50,000,000 pounds yearly The amount of tea used is less than 2,000,000 pounds for the same length of time. China is drawn upon for the bulk of the tea supply. India and Ceylon furnishing about one-quarter the amount.

All vehicles in the Highlands of Scotland are provided with brakes, to be used in the descents, the pony chaise having one as well as the four-horse coach. The natives trot their horses up hill and walk them down, and are amazed at Americans who always reverse the order in the matter of up and down-hill travel.

Amsterdam manufacturers handle each week about twenty thousand carats of diamonds. These are mostly the property of Paris and London dealers. There are over seven thousand persons employed in the diamond industry in that city, receiving an aggregate of three million dollars per annum in wages.

An Anglo-American syndicate has undertaken the engineering of vast enterprises in Peru. The syndicate is to become responsible for $60,000,000 of Peruvian bonds, and are given control of the railways of the State for thirty-six years. It is said that $30,000,000 are to be expended in the extension of railways into mining regions.

DOMESTIC MISCELLANY.

The free use of salt has often proved effectual in the treatment of fever and ague.

The simultaneous application of hot water to the back of the neck and the feet often cures headache.

Equal parts of linseed oil and lime water applied with cotton batting is the best treatment for burns.

A chill may be broken by drinking a pint of scalding milk, in which has been stirred a spoonful of ginger, taken just when the chill comes on.

In measles the greater danger lies in taking cold, which is apt to induce inflammation of the lungs, and injury to the eyes from overuse or exposure to too strong a light.

A clean, tastefully-laid table is a pleasure to the eye and often induces one with a poor appetite to try and eat. The service may be poor, but, if neat, will go a long way toward creating contentment.

Browned potatoes to be served with turkey are prepared thus: Parboil the potatoes in their skins, then peel, cut in half and lay in the pan with the turkey half an hour before serving, basting them liberally.

Slippery-elm bark is a good remedy for scaly boilers, and has been successfully used for a number of years. It is placed in the boiler and left there, the scale falling off in flakes, which should be at once removed.

For burns or scalds, nothing is more soothing than the white of an egg, which may be poured over the wound. It is softer, as a varnish for a burn, than collodion, and being always at hand can be applied immediately.

It is said on good authority that oil is a preventive of dyspepsia. Americans have a fixed aversion to salad oils and a great many to fat of all kinds, yet it is an undoubted truth that the free use of oils in food aids the digestion.

In making tea it will be found that straining before heating gives unusual delicacy to the flavor. This follows the steeping, of course; a teaspoonful of tea having been first steeped three minutes in just enough boiling water to dover it, when the full amount is added.

To provide proper food for a sick person it is indispensable that the nurse should know something of the effect of different forms of food on the human system, what kinds are best adapted to repair the waste of disease, and how they can be administered to obtain the best result.

Collops.—Cut away the fat and gristle from a pound and a half of round steak, then chop it fine and place it in a saucepan with a pint of hot water; just as it reaches the boiling point move to a part of the stove where it will barely simmer; cook it slowly thus for one hour, then add a teaspoonful salt, a large pinch of pepper and simmer another hour; season and serve hot.

Very often invalids are disinclined to the exertion of lifting the head to partake of a nourishing drink. Let them have their way. A bent glass tube, sold for five cents at the apothecary's, is not a signal of extreme illness or lowness, except that the head may rest low. It simply means comfort, and the invalid need not be disturbed in a sick headache or extreme fatigue, but can take the beverage provided without a change of position.

Fruit pudding.—Soak one cup of stale bread crumbs in one pint of hot milk, add one tablespoonful of butter, one cup of sugar, one salt-spoonful of salt, and spice to taste. When cool, add three eggs well beaten. Add two cups of fruit, either chopped apples, raisins, currants, canned peaches or apricots. When using canned fruit, drain it from the syrup, and use the latter in making a sauce. Vary the sugar according to the fruit. Turn in to a buttered pudding mold and steam two hours.

To make a fine rice pudding, take one cupful boiled rice, three cupfuls milk, three quarters of a cupful sugar, one tablespoonful cornstarch, two eggs and flavoring. Dissolve the cornstarch first with a little milk and then stir in the remainder of the milk; add the yelks of eggs and the sugar beaten together, now put this over the fire, and when hot add the rice. Stir until thick as custard then take off and add extract. Put it into a pudding dish and place it in the oven. Now beat the whites of the eggs to a stiff froth and add a little sugar and flavoring. Take the pudding from the oven when colored a little, spread the froth over the top and return it to the oven for a few minutes to give the froth a delicate coloring.

Milk Bread.—Scald a pint of milk and turn it in to a bread pan, and butter and salt when cool, add half a cup of yeast, and sufficient flour to make a stiff batter Beat thoroughly until very light. Cover and set in a warm place over night. In the morning work in flour to make a stiff dough. Then turn on the bread board and knead quickly until the dough is perfectly smooth. Put back in a bread pan and cover. Set to rise until it doubles in bulk. When light turn out on the board, divide in halves, mould in to loaves, put in greased pans and let stand until very light. Bake in a moderate oven one hour.

ODD INDUSTRIES.

A cotton-seed oil mill in Arkansas, erected at a cost of $200,000, is crushing seed at the rate of two hundred tons a day.

An establishment in New York makes a business of selling ancient household furnishings. This business is carried on in what is called a "Hall of Records," in connection with the looking up of genealogical records.

A number of European manufacturers have entered into the production of a new fiber known as "fiber malva" from a shrub growing in India, until recently held to be useless. This fiber promises to rank with jute in the manufacture of sacking.

Kittens are in great demand by taxidermists to stuff for ornamental purposes. Another use to which the felines are devoted is the manufacture of carriage robes. Much of the fur used in trimming garments is also obtained from the common domestic animal.

By means of electricity the most attractive leather surfaces are now imitated to perfection. The process is similar to that by which electrotype plates are made, a shell of copper being precipitated up on the surface to be imitated, from which shell an impression is obtained.

A concern in New York State is engaged in the manufacture of an imitation tobacco from paper. The paper, on reaching the tobacco warehouse, is repeatedly soaked in a strong decoction of the plant. It is then cut up and pressed in molds, which give to each sheet the venation of the genuine leaf-tobacco. So close is the imitation that expert tobacco men and habitual smokers have been deceived.

Photographers in the East are making a specialty of taking the pretty hands and wrists of women. Hands are photographed on glass negatives in the same manner as ordinary pictures are made. The hand, wrist and forearm are placed against a dark background in a strong light, in front of the camera. The ordinary exposure of a plate is then made. Black velvet makes an excellent background. All the beautiful curves and dimples of the hand are clearly shown.

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BY THE WAY.

—Peck's store will close at 7 p. m. after Jan. 1st.

—Unity Lodge, K. of P., of this city, will work the third rank to-night. Visitors always welcome.

—A collection for Muhlenberg Hospital was taken up at Warren Mission Chapel on Sunday afternoon.

—Many of the Sunday school teachers in the city presented each of their scholars with handsome Christmas gifts.

—The Sunday school of the M. E. church met on Monday morning, and the scholars each received a box of candy.

—A Christmas tree will be lighted at the Children's Home to-morrow afternoon at four o'clock. All friends of the Home are invited to be present.

—The members of the Plainfield Building and Loan Association met in Cutter's Hall last evening, and transacted routine business such as paying in dues, etc.

—The beautiful fire hat presented to Chief Waters by the members of Zephyr Hook and Ladder Company is greatly admired in the show window of this office.

—The severe rain storm which set in early this morning, and continued unabated ever since has succeeded in submerging the streets, and making walking difficult.

—On Friday evening of this week Perseverance Lodge, No. 74, K. of P., of this city, will hold their regular semi-annual election of officers to serve for the next term of six months.

—Frederick Bryton in "Forgiven," drew a fair audience at Music Hall on Monday evening. Some parts of the play were very pathetic, and as a whole seemed to give generally good satisfaction.

—Two colored men named Van Deventer and Compton were arrested in the borough on Saturday night for being drunk and disorderly. As it was their first offence, Mayor Cooley on Sunday ordered their release upon payment of costs.

—The work of erecting the lamp posts for street lighting in North Plainfield is progressing favorably. Some of the posts are already equipped with globes and burners, and in the course of a week or two the borough will be delivered from darkness.

—The members of the Plainfield Gesang and Turn Verein will give a Christmas sociable and hop at their headquarters on Somerset street, North Plainfield, to-morrow evening. A large number of invitations have been sent out, and the affair promises to be a most enjoyable one.

—Mr. Geo. A. Moore, the butcher, on Saturday supplied nearly one hundred needy persons with enough fish, free, for their Sunday morning breakfast. Before the time arrived for the free distribution of fish, several persons made application, but they were told to wait until one p. m.

—Mary Egan, aged thirteen years, was struck by a train last night on the Central Railroad at the Oak street crossing, Elizabeth. Her collar-bone was broken, several ribs fractured and she sustained internal injuries which will probably prove fatal. The girl is a daughter of Patrick Egan, of No. 213 Oak street, an employee of the cordage works.

—A special session was held in the Union County Court at Elizabeth today, but no business of particular interest to Plainfield was transacted. The January term of Court will open on Tuesday next, but it is not thought that Prosecutor Wilson will move the remaining firebug cases from this city, except to make a motion for the discharge of the accused.

—The sale of tickets at the depot for the three days ending on Monday amounted to $1,040.52. The travel over the Central Railroad for the three days, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, was very heavy, and when is taken into consideration the fact that many of the tickets purchased were for Dunellen and intermediate stations, the sales were unusually large.

CHRISTMASTIDE.

The Joyous Holiday Festival Continued in the Churches.

This week is being devoted almost entirely to the Christmas celebration in the various Sunday schools in this city. The usual church services were held on Sunday, and last evening several of the Sunday schools held their holiday festival.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

In the First Presbyterian church the Sunday School room was neatly but modestly decorated, and the scholars and friends of the school filled the large room to overflowing. Mr. Henry B. Opdyke, the Superintendent, presided, and Miss Emma L. Cadmus officiated at the piano in her usual efficient manner. The programme included singing by the school, a recitation, "Our Christmas," by Miss Agnes Blair. A feature of the entertainment, and one worthy of special mention, was a song entitled "Morning, Noon and Night" by the following Misses., which showed a careful training of voices: Katie Lounsbury, Ella Lounsbury, Edith Pruden, Julia Williams, Emma Neis, Mamie Clark and Katie Albert. Mr. F. C. Lounsbury gave a polyopticon exhibition of funny caricatures for the amusement of the children. Singing by the school preceded the gastronomical feat of tucking away ice cream and cake of which there was an abundance for all.

PARK AVENUE BAPTIST.

At the Park Avenue Baptist church last evening the exercises were of an unusually interesting nature. The Sunday school room was thronged with young and old and the decorations are spoken of as exquisite. Mr. T. I. Runyon, the Superintendent, delivered the address of welcome, and the school sang some sweet carols. The exercises by the primary class, under the personal supervision of Miss Clara Whitfield, were commendable. Little Reti Pond on behalf of the primary scholars delivered a few words of welcome. A recitation, "'Twas the night before Christmas," by Miss Woodcock, of the primary department, is particularly deserving of special credit. Part two on the programme consisted of a cantata, "Among the Pines," in two parts, and included ten characters. Rev. Mr. Dilts, acting as spokesman for the school presented to the Superintendent an easy chair, and Miss Whitfield was presented with Washington Irving's works, by the scholars of the primary department. The exercises closed with the benediction, after which candy and oranges were distributed among the scholars. Instead of the primary scholars receiving presents as in former years, each one of them brought a gift for the Children's Home, and the packages will be opened at the Home to-morrow.

CONGREGATIONAL.

The Christmas festival in this church was held last evening, with ex-Mayor Rockfellow in command. The beautiful little chapel on West Seventh street was filled to its utmost, and a very enjoyable evening was spent by all those present. The Sunday school sang Christmas carols, and recitations were delivered by several of the scholars. Mr. Joseph Robinson as Santa Claus, entertained the children, and the festivities came to an end after confectionery and oranges had been distributed.

CRESCENT AVENUE.

Like in the other churches above enumerated, the Sunday school exercises in the Crescent Avenue church last evening were thoroughly enjoyed. A programme of vocal and instrumental music was rendered as follows:

Piano Solo	Miss Carrie Dewey.
Glee—"April Times"	Choir.
Illustrated Poem—"Mabel Martin," by Whittier.	
Banjo Solo	Ed. Day.
Glee—"The Rivals"	Choir.
See-Saw	By a number of young Misses.
Banjo Solo	Ed. Day.
Glee—"Jack Frost"	Choir.

The entertainment closed with a "sleigh ride" by the scholars, and an address by Rev. Mr. Richards, the pastor. Refreshments were served in abundance.

Kitchen Garden Entertainment.

The kitchen garden entertainment held on Monday at Reform Hall, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., was quite an enjoyable affair. The classes, under the leadership of their Superintendent, Miss Alice Smith, did great credit to their teaching. After the scholars performed their part of the exercises. They listened to a short but earnest talk by Mrs. Tomlinson, President of the W. C. T. U., after which they were each blindfolded and one by one tried to pin a tail on a meek-looking donkey, who was himself pinned to a sheet at the back of the room. After a half-hour of fun the girls were dismissed with a remembrance of Christmas in the shape of a bag filled with fruit and popcorn. The boys and girls of the Loyal Temperance Legion, who were among the audience by special invitation from the kitchen garden classes, enjoyed the fun most heartily.

Holy Cross Church.

In our necessarily condensed reports of the Christmas exercises in the various churches, yesterday, we omitted to state that the richly frescoed chancel is vastly improved by the addition of stately candelebra of brass at each end of the altar. These have been recently erected by Mrs. Dater as memorials to her deceased husband and child. The altar, prayer desks and pulpit are adorned by rich coverings of cream white cloth appropriately decorated. The first service in this church on Christmas Day was a quiet marriage which took place at 9 o'clock. At the 11 o'clock service there was a full church. The music was unusually well rendered by the choir and congregation. The rector preached an earnest and appropriate sermon on what the Christmas festival should teach us, and how it should regulate our conduct to our fellow man. What does Christmas mean to you? If the earthly side of that festival is only looked at, it would be but a poor time indeed, since to thousands it brings no earthly joy. What family gatherings can there be in the desolate homes, where Joseph is not and Simeon is not; no, we must look further than this; we must look into the manger of Bethlehem and then up to heaven before we can understand why Christmas should be a glad time to all Christian people. It is the light streaming from the manger which makes this festival so bright. Rev. Mr. Shroeder assisted the Rector in the service. This afternoon a Christmas tree rich in gifts to the children was lighted, around which the young folks gathered and made merry over their Christmas festival.

Mrs. Potter at Music Hall.

A benefit for the actor's fund was recently given in New York city at which Mrs. James Brown Potter, who is to appear in this city at Music Hall on Saturday evening next, took a prominent part. The New York *Herald* in commenting upon Mrs. Potter's appearance says: "Then came Mrs. Potter, so beautiful, so graceful. She wore a magnificent gown of scarlet velvet, and entered upon the stage with a royal tread. She recited Charles Kingsley's hunting refrain, her voice went to the universal heart, and she was applauded until the house rang. Twelve times she was called before the curtain. Miss Terry waved her handkerchief, the ladies in the Vanderbilt box did the same. It was a demonstration. It was not curiosity. It was hailing the new favorite—Welcoming her to the brotherhood of dramatic labor."

Grace Church.

The Sunday school of Grace church will hold its Christmas festival in the church this evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Following is the order of exercises:

Organ Voluntary	
Hymn, "Hail, Our King"	
Prayer	Rector
Singing, "The Sweet Story of Old"	
Responsive Reading	
The Annunciation	
The Advent	
Singing, "Hark What Means Those Angel Voices"	
Scripture Lesson	
Singing, "When the Holly Boughs are Waving."	
Address	
Singing, "Gather and Sing"	
Distribution of Gifts	
Singing, "Joy, Great Joy"	
Benediction	

Winfield Scott Post Inspection.

The annual inspection of Winfield Scott Post, No. 73, G. A. R., of this city took place in the Grand Army room last evening. The inspection was made by Commander Wyckoff of Post No. 75 of Somerville. After the inspection Comrade Vickery of No. 75 Post, delivered an address, in which he congratulated the members on their fine appearance and soldierly bearing. Several other visitors were in attendance, but they took no active part in the inspection. A collation followed at Anderson & Brown's restaurant.

Grand Tobogganing Carnival.

On Friday evening of this week will occur the first grand tobogganing carnival ever held in this city. The slide on East Front street will be brilliantly illuminated for the occasion, and appropriate music will be in attendance. The grounds about the slide will also be handsomely lighted up, and those who take part in the carnival will be gorgeously attired in fancy costumes. The managers of the affair will spare neither time or expense to make it a grand success, and all should avail themselves of the opportunity to witness the display. Admission 10 cents.

Fire at Dunellen.

This morning about two o'clock Officer Doty discovered flames issuing from the roof of the building owned and occupied by John Laible, a tailor, on Front street, Dunellen. An alarm was at once given and the family of Mr. Laible were aroused. With the assistance of Officer Doty, Mr. Chas. Williams and the neighbors, the flames were subdued. The upper part of the building was considerably damaged by fire and water. The fire orignated from the overheated chimney in the garret.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mrs. R. C. Fisher is confined to her home on West Fourth street by illness.

Miss Maggie Wiles of Stony Point, N. Y., is visiting the Misses Radford, of West Front street.

Miss Streuli of Prospect and Hillside avenues will tender a party to her numerous friends this evening.

President Cleveland and party passed through Elizabeth on Monday evening, en route for Albany, N. Y.

Miss Bass of Plainfield avenue will give a progressive euchre party to a select few of her friends on Friday evening.

Mr. N. C. Dunn, wife and children, of Philadelphia, Pa., are visiting Mrs. Dunn's sisters and mother at Force's Hotel.

Mr. Peter Bucklew, after an absence of several weeks at Boston, Mass., has returned to Plainfield to spend a few days with his family.

Rev. Dr. Ketcham was among those who enjoyed a good skate on Tier's Lake Monday afternoon. The Reverend Doctor is quite an expert on ice.

Mrs. Harrie Cottier, of Brooklyn, N.Y., visited friends in this city last Friday, and was heartily congratulated over her improved condition of health. Both Mr. and Mrs. C. have warm friends in Plainfield.

A large number of the young society people of the city attended a party at Miss Hunter's on Union avenue, last evening. The liverymen were kept busy for several hours after midnight returning the guests to their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Moore held a family reunion at their residence on East Front street Monday evening. Nearly fifty guests were present, and besides a sumptuous collation, the evening was passed in social amusements.

The concert to be given in the Presbyterian church at Dunellen this evening, will be composed almost entirely of Plainfield vocalists, and will include the following: Mrs. Elias Bird, Messrs. T. B. Brown, E. E. Runyon, B. T. Barnes. Mrs. Davis of Dunellen will also take part.

Rev. Thos Munnelle, President of the State University of Kansas is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Runyon of East Fifth street. The Reverend gentleman is an uncle of Mrs. Runyon, and was the first to instruct the late President Garfield in latin and geometry when the latter was a student at Hiram College, Ohio, being a Professor in that institution at the time.

Samuel Tucker, coachman for Mr. S. A. Potter of Grove street, North Plainfield, is one of the proudest of men as he sits in the handsome "Rheindeer" two-seat sleigh, recently purchased by his employer, and handles the reins over a spirited team of beautifully matched black steeds. The sleigh, which attracted considerable attention on the streets yesterday, is from the manufactory of Messrs. Rockett & Tuttle, New Haven, Conn., the latter member of the firm being an uncle of Mrs. Potter.

From the Vicksburg, (Miss.,) *Evening Post* of Tuesday, Dec. 20th, we learn that "Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Schermerhorn of Plainfield, N. J., who have been visiting the family of Mr. C. R. McFarland, Engineer of the Water Works, left for New Orleans this morning, whence they will go to Natchez to see their son, Mr. Chas. Schermerhorn, now in charge of the Natchez Water Works, who will return to Vicksburg with them to spend the holidays. Mr. Schermerhorn, Sr., is manager of the Western Union office at Plainfield."

Mr. James Smith, a former resident of this city, and now of Brooklyn, N. Y., spent Christmas with his brother, Wm. Smith, of North Plainfield. Mr. Smith, who was a prominent builder of Plainfield a number of years ago, has visited here but once in over twelve years, since he took up his residence in Brooklyn. "Jim" met many old friends during his visit, among the fire laddies, with whom he was a prominent member and officer in the palmy days of the Department. He expressed himself as amazed at the wonderful growth of Plainfield during the past few years.

Mr. John Enright, former Chairman of Michigan's Democratic State Executive Committee, resides in Plainfield, although holding his residence in his native State of Michigan. Mr. E. is a writer of more than ordinary ability, and is at present on the editorial staff of the New York *Star*. The name of Mr. Enright has been prominently mentioned in connection with the postmastership of Washington, D. C. The selection of Mr. Dickinson as Postmaster-General, who also hails from Michigan, and is a staunch friend of Mr. Enright, may possibly result in the selection of some other candidate for this important position, as the President has expressed himself as favorable to the selection of some person residing in the District of Columbia for the place. If Mr. Enright should receive the appointment, no better or more worthy party man could be selected, and his many friends in this section would heartily endorse such action.

Officers Elected.

At a regular meeting of the local union, No. 155, Carpenters and Joiners, of this city, held on Tuesday evening week the following officers were elected:

President—M. W. Schenck.
Vice President—C. Johnson.
Secretary—Levi Kline.
Recording Secretary—William D. Dodd.
Conductor—Samuel Dodd.
Warden—Henry Force.
Treasurer—S. P. Hoffman.
Trustee—A. Vail.

The newly elected officers were all installed into their respective offices after election by Preceptor, L. R. Blackford.

NOAH DOVE ENCAMPMENT.

Noah Dove Encampment, No. 28, I. O. O. F. of this city has elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year:

Chief Patriarch—L. R. Blackford.
High Priest—Geo. Townley.
Senior Warden—Edward Fluck.
Junior Warden—Samuel Dodd.
Recording Scribe—Edward C. Morse.
Financial Scribe—F. Whitely.
Treasurer—A. Woodruff.

PLAINFIELD LODGE, I. O. O. F.

Last Monday evening Plainfield Lodge, No. 44, I. O. O. F., held their regular semi-annual election of officers to serve for the ensuing term. The following were elected:

N. G.—W. Tallman.
V. G.—John Morton.
R. S.—E. C. Morse.
P. S.—D. R. Weaver.
Treasurer—T. J. Young.

ANCHOR LODGE.

The annual communication for the election of officers to serve Anchor Lodge, No. 149, F. and A. M. for the ensuing year, was held last evening and resulted as follows:

W. M.—C. M. Goddard.
S. W.—G. M. Stiles.
J. W.—E. C. A. Woltman.
Treasurer—J. E. Turrill.
Secretary—T. A. Rogers.
Trustees—W. A. Freeman, P. M., O. T. Waring, F. O. Herring, P. M.
Proxy to the Grand Lodge—Rev. E. M. Rodman.

The newly elected officers will be installed at a future communication.

The Evil Doers.

Frank VanCamp faced Judge Ulrich for the second time at the station house yesterday morning. He was acting in a disorderly manner on the previous day and Officer Lynch arrested him. He was fined five dollars.

The police were summoned by telephone to Mr. Geo. Burgess' residence on Central avenue last evening, to arrest a drunken man. Chief Carey and Officer Grant went to the place, and when they returned they were accompanied by a tramp who gave his name as John Smith. He was sent up for thirty days.

Edward Hoover, alias "Smokestack," was liberated from the County Jail a few days ago, and on Monday evening Officer Lynch found him on the street soliciting nickels. He promised to desist and was allowed to go. Yesterday, however, he again tried to fill his bottle with money begged on the street, and Officer Lynch took him in. He was committed for 20 days.

The Board of Education Inspection.

Upon invitation from the New Jersey Land Improvement Company, President Kirkner, and Messrs. L. F. Wadsworth, John W. Murray, Rev. J. L. Hurlbut and Geo. H. Babcock, constituting the Board of Education, made a tour of inspection in the vicinity of Grant avenue, on Monday afternoon for the purpose of deciding upon a site for a new school building. Mr. Wm. C. Ayers, the agent for the Land Improvement company was indisposed and could not accompany the Board. The lot which the company has offered to donate to the Board is situated on Monroe avenue between Third and Fourth streets, and is considered a very desirable site. No definite action was taken, and nothing further will done with the matter until the next meeting of the Board.

Cutter's Hall.

The Plainfield Berean Bible Class will give a sociable Thursday evening, Dec. 29, to the class and their friends. There will be recitations, singing, music and refreshments. A good time is expected.

—Last evening the sleighing was tolerably good, and many persons took advantage of it. Several box sleds came into town during the evening, each loaded down with human freight.

—Rev. Mr. Richards, pastor of the Crescent Avenue church will on to-morrow evening deliver in Reform Hall, the fourth in the series of free lectures given under the auspices of the Reform Club.

—The Somerset County Freeholders met at Somerville on Saturday, and in accordance with the law, decided upon $7,000 as the extra appropriation to be assessed in the tax levy of 1888, to cover the damage done by the floods last Summer. The full Board was present.

Howell Division S. of T. Anniversary.

Howell Division, No. 97, Sons of Temperance, of this city, held its nineteenth anniversary last evening. Worthy Patriarch W. R. Mattox presided. W. P. Noah W. Pike of Plainfield Division, No. 223, on behalf of the Division he represented, read an original poem, dedicated to Howell Division. W. P. Clark of Westfield, in a brief address told of the flourishing condition of the Westfield Division, and stated that about 70 new members had joined during the last quarter. G. W. P. Rev. A. G. Van Aiken next made one of his usual earnest addresses, telling of the work throughout the State. He highly commended Howell Division for its active work during the past few years. Brother S. B. Scribner reported progress on the work of compiling a history of No. 97 Division, and promised to have the same completed at an early day. Remarks were made by Robert S. Manning, and Bro. Burdick, R. S., of Westfield, followed by a recitation by Miss Alice Scribner, entitled "Popping the Question," and a song by Bro. Pinston, "I'll Remember You Love in My Prayers." Mr. W. W. Coriell gave an interesting account of his recent trip in the West. P. W. P., John B. Pyatt then made some very timely remarks, in which he alluded to certain members who once met regularly with the division, but are now with the things of the past. "The Skipper and His Boy," was admirably sung by a Brother from Westfield, and a few words of wisdom were spoken by P. G. W. P. Perrine. Mrs. Bosterli recited in a pleasing manner the "Black Valley Railroad," and a recitation was also given by Miss Emma Lees. One of the members of the Westfield division reported a total membership of one hundred and forty in that order, and the Division was still growing rapidly. He was followed by an address from Bro. Stevenson and a vocal selection by an impromptu choir from Westfield. Worthy Patriarch W. R. Mattox of Howell Division, recited in his usual pleasing style "The Last Hymn." After an address by Bro. Hargin of Elizabeth, then came the "filling in" act, in which the coffee, sandwiches, cake, etc., disappeared with great rapidity. On the whole the nineteenth anniversary of Howell Division, No. 97, was an agreeable success, which is due largely to the following persons who constituted the Committee of Arrangements: Mrs. G. A. R. Huntington, Miss S. Lees, Miss H. Johnson and Messrs. S. Scribner, James Huntington, James Johnson. The following Grand Division officers were present: Rev. A. G. Van Aiken, G. W. P., James Perrine, D. G. P. W., Sister S. A. Mattox, G. S.

More About Venus.

If anyone is disposed to cut an hour or two from their morning nap, they can now see the brilliant planet Venus in the Eastern sky, shining in most gorgeous splendor. Venus is said to be now brighter then she has ever appeared to any one at present living, and she will not be so near the earth in 340 years as she is now. The planet is seen after 2 o'clock in the morning, and presents the finest view between 5 and 6 o'clock. The ridiculous assertion that "Venus" is the "Star of Bethlehem," is thus dispelled, notwithstanding all reports to the contrary.

—Special officer Hope, has in his possession the names of several boys who have been stealing waste from the cars near Richmond street. As soon as the list is complete the boys will be arrested.

—The young ladies should have patience for a week or two longer, until the advent of 1888. This will be leap year, girls, and the pin money saved up for the last four years, will find the ice cream dealer's money drawer, a ready receptacle. Oyster stews will also be in order for a few months yet.

—The Odd Fellows of this city are making extensive arrangements for the grand installation services and accompanying hop, which is to take place early in January. A grand musical programme will be rendered in connection with the installation exercises, under the personal supervision of Mr. E. E. Runyon, which is a guarantee of the excellence of the music.

—The open season for game will soon close. According to law, quail, grouse, rabbits and squirrel may not be legally killed between Dec. 31st and Nov. 1st, 1888. On March 1st the open season for trout will begin. Between January 1st and March 1st, idlers will have a chance to kill time instead of game. Special Policeman James Babbitt will then devote his time to catching canines.

—Riding along the country highways, especially at this season of the year, when the farmer's dog is given an extra feed a day to be on the lookout for city gunners, one sees many signs placed in conspicuous places, forbidding trespassing. Some of the signs are in the strongest language, while others are hard to understand. Here is a sample of the signs to be found in the rural districts: "Any person ketched on these grounds, or cows or wimin with guns, will be liabaul two fine itself in a skrape."

THE STRIKE COLLAPSES

AN UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER TO THE COMPANY.

All the Reading Employes Ready to Return to Work—The Brotherhood Men Helped to Knock Out the Knights.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—The Reading railroad employes' strike is off, and the men returned to work yesterday morning. General Manager McLeod, of the Reading, has issued the following statement:

The report that the Reading company had agreed to arbitrate with its striking employes is absolutely false. There is nothing to discuss, much less to arbitrate. The men discharged were not and will not be taken back. The new men employed when the old ones went out will not be discharged to make room for old ones, and all the latter have been notified that if they desire to retain their places they must return to work immediately and unconditionally, and all have returned under that order so far as places were left for them. Besides, the leaders at Port Richmond that brought on the strike have been discharged and will not be allowed again in the company's service.

This action, it is thought, will compel the Knights of Labor to back down or renew the strike. At the various depots of the company work was being done as usual yesterday. The men have not all returned as yet, but this is due only to the delays incident to the reassembling of so large a force of men. The chief dispatcher of the freight trains said this afternoon:

"We do not anticipate any more trouble at all. The men were here long before the regular hours, and some even came on the run so as not to miss any time. If they had not come we had sufficient applications for positions to run on regular time all the freight trains and shifters in the yard. There were some few who did not show up, but of course their places were filled immediately."

At the company's office the action of the Knights of Labor is looked upon as a complete backdown. An unofficial report gained credence this evening from the Knights of Labor headquarters, in North Broad street, that the order will ask for the reinstatement of th discharged men. Members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers here show considerable satisfaction at the speedy termination of the strike. An official of this order said to-day:

"The knights are knocked out, and the brotherhood had a hand in doing it. We were pledged to stand by the company, and we had a man ready for every engine, and we were ready to take charge of every engine on the entire system. The knights underestimated our strength. They give us credit for a membership of a little over half a hundred members, whereas on the Reading system we have a membership of over 200, enough to keep the engines moving, and we would have worked in spite of all obstacles."

On Third street, Reading stock took an upward shoot, and at the closing hour was quoted at 66 and a fraction.

The following order was issued at the hour for closing the office yesterday:

THE PHILADELPHIA AND READING R. R. CO
GENERAL OFFICE, 237 SOUTH FOURTH ST.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27, 1887.

A. A. McLEOD, General Manager.

DEAR SIR: The strike ordered from Port Richmond has developed the fact that many of our old and faithful employes have been compelled by others to join the organization known as the Knights of Labor. While the Reading Railroad company has never objected to its employes voluntarily connecting themselves with any labor organization they may see fit to join it will protect them at all hazards and at any cost from being forced into any union where their own wish would be to remain free; and any employe of this company or of the coal and iron company guilty of using any undue or improper influence upon any of our men to force them to join any society against their free will, will upon proof furnished us be instantly dismissed from our service and never allowed to return to it; and any employe furnishing such information will be fully protected from any harm by reason thereof. Please give this notice to the general superintendent with orders that it be repeated to the heads of every department of the railroad and coal and iron company.

Very respectfully,
AUSTIN CORBIN, president.

G. DE B. KEIM,
S. A. CALDWELL,
AUSTIN CORBIN,
Receivers.

Indiana's Labor Party.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 28.—Representatives of the union labor party in this state met yesterday and decided to issue a call at once for a state convention to nominate a full ticket from governor down. The convention will be held on March 7. On the preceding day the national committee will meet here to issue a call for a national convention, which will occur some time in June at a place to be selected, probably, Indianapolis. It is the purpose to appoint workers in each school district of the state to visit every householder and urge his interest in the cause.

Cameron's Presidential Boom.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 28.—Senator Quay said yesterday that he was certain that Don Cameron, his colleague, was not a candidate for the republican nomination next year. Mr. Quay said that Mr. Cameron has never mentioned the subject to him and that there was more talk of a Cameron boom in Pennsylvania than there was in Washington. Mr. Quay said that there seemed to be only one candidate for the republican nomination and he is Mr. Blaine. All republicans seemed to favor the man from Maine.

Big Failure for Peoria.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 28.—Meseserau Bro. & Davis, the heaviest retail dry goods in the city, have just assigned to R. M. Cox for the benefit of their creditors. Their liabilities will probabilities will probably exceed $150,000. Assets about $75,000.

Good News for Newport.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 28.—From reliable sources it is learned that immediately the lease by the Old Colony company of the Boston and Providence road is effected, is to be made the headquarters of all the steamboats of the line.

Senator Quay Against Lamar.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 28.—Senator M. S. Quay, who is in the city, said yesterday that he will vote against the confirmation of Lamar. He also said that he favors taking the tax off whiskey and tobacco.

The New Governor of Maine.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 28.—Upon formally taking the chair at the opening of the session of the executive council yesterday, Governor Marble made a brief address, alluding feelingly to the death of Governor Bodwell.

The French Copper Syndicate.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—*La Justice* and other papers demand that the government interfere to suppress the attempts of the French syndicate to advance the price of copper.

THEIR SCHEME EXPOSED

THE WISCONSIN RAILROADS TO GATHER LANDS ILLEGALLY.

A Memorial Sent to the President—Senators Spooner and Sawyer Enlisted—The Attitude of Carlisle and Randall.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The president, attorney-general and secretary of the interior have received a memorial from the board of supervisors of St. Croix county, Wis., calling attention to the scheme of the Wisconsin railroads to gather in lands not granted them. Among other things the document says:

"We respectfully represent, with regard to the recent opinion or decision of the attorney-general giving construction to section 5 of the act of congress entitled 'An act to provide for the adjustment of land grants made by congress to aid in the construction of railroads,' approved March 3, 1887, in which decision the attorney-general in effect declares that the words in said section limiting its operation to 'lands being the numbered sections described in the grants,' apply to and include not only such lands within the indemnity belt as were never promised to be given by congress, but also to lands lying within the granted limits of the said Wisconsin railways.

"We respectfully show that such decision will, if carried out and enforced, permit a few parties who have acted in collusion with the said railways to secure the title, on payment of $1.25 an acre, to large areas of lands, which lands they well know were never promised by congress to be given to said railways, and as to which lands section 7 of said act of congress approved March 3, 1887, would seem to forbid that they should be given to said railways, or to any corporation or individual claiming under them, but only to the class of claimants described in sections 3 and 4 of said act.

"We further represent that said construction, so given by the attorney-general, to section 5 will not in any way add to the protection of cultivators of the land or of any settlers who may have purchased lands which were not promised by congress to said Wisconsin railways, because such settlers and cultivators are protected by other provisions of law."

Senators Spooner and Sawyer have been enlisted in the opposition to the scheme of the railroad corporations, and a strong effort will be made to prevent the Wisconsin roads from seizing the lands.

Mr. Carlisle and Mr. Randall have so far come to an understanding on the subject of tariff reduction as to make comparatively certain the passage of a bill which, if it does not follow accurately the line marked out by the president, will in the main effect the reforms which he recommends.

A number of prominent democratic congressmen have been devoting considerable time to the discussion of the tariff subject since the recess began. Mr. Carlisle, whose time is not wholly occupied with the finishing touches to his committees, has been in conference with a number of his colleagues with what is generally regarded as the most encouraging results. On every side however, one hears talk of compromise. Mr. Carlisle is an enthusiastic champion of tariff reduction, but he is above all things a man of sound sense, and fully understands that half a loaf is better than no bread. He does not believe, however, that it will be necesssry to agree on half measures in this matter, but is prepared to make substantial concessions in order to secure the passage of a bill which will effect a reduction in the revenue.

One hears little talk of any disposition of the surplus already in the treasury. If means are taken to prevent any material additions to the sum already in the vaults it is not believed that any harm will result to the country at large. The belief is gaining ground that the appropriations authorized by the present congress will be more generous than those of previous years. There is a fair chance, too, that several independent measures appropriating large sums may pass at this session. The Blair educational bill is the most promising of these measures, and is looked upon as tolerably sure of going through.

Consul Baker, in a report to the department of state in regard to the wool production of the Argentine Republic, says that the amount of fine wools shipped from there to the United States is annually becoming less. The cause of this, he says, is in great part due to the fact that the tariff of this country unintentionally but very unjustly discriminates against such wools from the Argentine Republic in favor of those from Australia, &c., our system of computing the duties making no allowance whatever for the fact that the dirt and grease in the wools of the Argentine Republic is fully 70 per cent. greater than those of the former countries. This excess of dirt and grease is required to pay the full tariff rates for wool. The only wools which it is now possible to ship under our tariff are the Criolla, or long carpet wools of the province of Cordova, which are shipped from Rosario and which amount to about 10,000,000 pounds annually.

A BIG LAND CLAIM.

Heirs of W. Weber After Sixty-six Acres of Land in New York City.

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 28.—Dr. W. W. Weber stated that the claim of his father, William Weber, as one of the heirs to a plot of land sixty-six acres in extent in New York city, south of Canal street, has been proven. The tract is now studded with massive blocks of buildings, but was bought in 1666 by Wilfred Weber of Holland, who settled on Manhattan Island a short time previous. In 1674 Mr. Weber leased the land to a kinsman, Wilfred Weber, Jr., for 300 years. Dr. Weber's father is of the seventh generation of Weber senior, who originally owned the land.

On the expiration of the lease in 1874 the land naturally reverted to the descendants of the original Wilfred Weber. For a few years past William Weber and other descendants have been busily engaged proving that they were direct descendants of the first owner. Now that they think it is proved, there will be a meeting of the heirs in New York on January 20, to complete the arrangements and get possession. This property is valued at $20,000,000.

The Fighting Elder.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 28.—John Huddleson, a class leader in colored church circles had had reason to suspect Mrs. Huddleson's faithfulness to him and yesterday he returned home at an unexpected hour and found her in company with some male members of the choir. A row ensued, and he received a dangerous cut in the head with a hatchet. He then drew his pistol and shot J. M. Walker in the neck, producing a wound from which his victim is now dying in the city hospital.

The Bell Bonanza.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—In the fiscal year ending December 20th, the gross output of telephones has been 52,156; instruments returned 26,787; leaving a net output of 25,367, against 22,385 in 1886.

SWELLS IN CORSETS.

Two Rare Specimens Entertain the Passengers on a Street-Car.

As the glorious noonday sun was pouring its bright rays down on the cultured natives of the Back bay, two exquisite disciples of Berry Wall entered a Huntington avenue car, says the Boston *Globe*. The occupants of the car ceased conversing and gazed with a look of wondering admiration at the new comers. The conductor was completely overcome, and so great was his astonishment that he neglected to give the necessary two bells for so long a time that an unsympathetic time-is-money individual arose from his seat and gave the bell-strap two vicious jerks.

The two young gentlemen who had caused this commotion took seats directly opposite a couple of charming young ladies, whose closely-fitting Redfern tailor-made suits proved them to be the true Bostonians. It was very evident that the two young swells were supremely happy. Their dress was perfect on from their No. 5 patent-leather boots up to their "Lunnon tiles." Their trousers were "windy" enough to suit the most fastidious, and their coats and waistcoats—well, they fitted their slim forms so perfectly that had any of the prominent dress reformers of the present day had an opportunity the swells would undoubtedly have received a lecture on the injurious effect of compressing the human form within the whalebones of that article of feminine apparel which men are supposed to get along without.

When the car reached the Brunswick the conductor recovered sufficiently to take up the fares. He held out his hands for the young men's nickels, and every body fully expected that one of them would pull a handful of gold from his pocket, for they looked so deucedly well fixed, you know, but in this they were disappointed, for, after much fussing, a nickel and five coppers were produced and handed over, and it was here that a rather amusing incident occurred.

In consequence of the exertion necessary in finding his fare one of the swells dropped his cane. He stooped to pick it up. It was no use. The balmy nature of the day had induced him to take an extra pull on his harness, and he was laced up so tight that he could not get within three inches of his "stick." One of the young ladies who sat opposite was quick to appreciate the situation, and with an easy grace picked up the cane, and with a smile returned it to the owner. There was an audible smile from every body in the car. It broke that swell all up, and with a blush like a school-girl he and his friend jumped from the car and entered that haven where true beauty is appreciated—the art museum.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 23, 1887.

Adams, J H	Layton, Henry
Barnes, Miss Louie	Lewis, Miss Carrie
Banke, Jr., H W	Morris, Mrs E C
Barber, Mrs Chas H	McNanee, Mrs E
Clawson, Miss Mary R	O'Connell, Joe
Carman, Mrs Harry	Pound, Jackson S
Doty, James	Parks, Miss Kate
Donnie, Jas	Runyon, A S
Dody, Miss Arthur B	Rowland, Miss Addie
Fielding, Mrs Hewett	Sargent, H J
Green, Mrs Ella	Sayre, Mrs Julia
Harris Mrs B S	Silsby, G W
Holmes, Miss Annie M	Scott, Miss B
Hallock, Mrs Geo	Smith, Miss Sallie
Hudnot, Jas	Smith, Mrs Jane
Johnson, Miss Laura	Tomson, Miss Delure
King, Miss Lillie A	Turner, Alice
McKintosh Augustus	Wells, Elisha
Kane, Andrew	White, Miss Amy

persons calling for above please say advertised.
W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF MAILS.

NEW YORK MAILS.
CLOSE—8.00 and 10.00 a. m.; 2.00 and 5.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—7.30, 8.50, 11.45 a. m.; 2.30, 5.30 p. m.
SOMERVILLE, EASTON, ETC., MAILS.
CLOSE—7.30 a. m. and 4.30 p. m.
ARRIVE—8.50 a. m. and 6.30 p. m.
SUNDAY MAILS.
Arrive at 5.10 a. m. Office open from 9.30 a. m. to 10.30 a. m. Mail closes at 7 p. m.
Mail for Warrenville closes Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 m.
Post Office opens at 7 a. m. and closes at 7.30 p. m. Saturdays closes at 8.00 p. m. Open every evening until 8.30 p. m., to owners of lock boxes.
Owners of lock-boxes coming without their keys will please apply for their mail at the Side Delivery Windows. Office Closed after 10 A.M. on all National Holidays.
Money order office open from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Saturdays to 4 p. m.
W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

WANTS AND OFFERS.

Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

LOST OR STOLEN FROM DAY'S LIVERY, Cocker Spaniel Pup, 8 months old. Finder will please accommodate owner with return of same as soon as possible.

LOST—DEC'R 27—LADY'S SILVER WATCH, with gold chain attached. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to Richard Day's Livery Stable.

LOST—A LARGE BROWN SETTER DOG, WITH white breast. A reward is offered. 17 Park Ave. 12-28-2

FOUND—December 27th, by Daniel Jones a bunch of keys, which owner can have by proving property and paying for this advertisement. Call at PRESS office.

WANTED—A GOOD BOY, ABOUT 16 YEARS old. Apply to Mr. Love, cor. North and Park avenues. 12-28-2

BRICK! BRICK!! BRICK!!!—The report having been circulated in Plainfield that there were no SOMERVILLE BRICK to be had, the public are hereby notified that we have a large stock of *first-class brick* on hand, which we are selling at the lowest market prices. ROSS' Brick-Yard, Somerville, N. J. 12-20-tf

TO LET—HOUSE CORNER SIXTH AND DIvision Streets, furnished or unfurnished; for boarding or private use; in good order; all improvements. Rent very low to responsible parties. Apply to Mrs. E. D. Eaton, Division Street, between 5th and 6th. 12-6-tf

TRY THE "O. A. F." CIGAR; MADE FROM the finest Havana filler, without a particle of artificial flavoring. The best 5-cent cigar in the world. 11-16-tf

FURNISHED ROOMS, FOR GENTLEMEN only, over the Post Office. ELIZABETH SCHORR. 9-22-tf

FOR SALE—MY PROPERTY ON WEST SECond Street. Price Moderate. Terms easy. T. H. TOMLINSON, M. D. 29-6-tf

FOR SALE—A SECOND-HAND TWO-HORSE "Peerless" power. In good order. Sold cheap, for want of use. Apply S. B. WHEELER, Netherwood Farm, Plainfield, N. J. 6-22-tf

FOR SALE—THE LOT SOUTH-EAST CORNER of Jackson avenue and Somerset street, about 160 feet square. For price and terms apply to O'REILLY BROS., Archt's and Storage Warehouse, from 109 to 123 E. 44th street N. Y. city.—my20tf

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Will remain on exhibition during the remainder of the month, at the
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Between the Hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., and 7 p. m. till 10 p. m.
ADMISSION, 25 CENTS.
Catalogues containing full description of the articles, with a description of the process of making Cloisonne Enamel, for sale at the Gallery. *PRICE 15 CENTS.* 12-21-tf

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Tobogganing Carnival!!
Friday Evening, Dec'r 30th.
FANCY COSTUMES!
APPROPRIATE MUSIC!
GROUNDS HANDSOMELY ILLUMINATED!
The first Carnival ever given in Plainfield, and the Managers have spared no expense to make it a complete success. Do not fail to witness this grand spectacle—the greatest illuminated display of the season—commencing at 8 p. m.
Admission, 10 Cents. 40 Slides for $1. 12-22-tf

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31st.
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Supported by MR. KYRLE BELLEW, (by courtesy of Mr. H. E. Abbey, of Wallack's Theatre.)
MR. HENRY LEE, and a carefully selected company, under the personal management of MR. H. C. MINER.
ROMEO AND JULIET.
PRICES—Lower Floor—$1.00. Balcony, as usual. Sale of seats commences at Field & Randolph's and J. G. Miller's Drug Stores on Dec. 28th. 12-27-5

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Pure Drugs on Exhibition.
Fine assortment Holiday Goods. Handkerchief Extracts, Colognes, Toilet Waters, &c.
Our ALMOND CREAM—(Original)—to heal and beautify the skin.
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Try our Cloth Cleanser for Grease Spots.
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City Pharmacy open Sundays from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.; 4 to 9 p. m., for the Sale of medicines only. Telephone Call 109.
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WHATEVER ELSE YOU MAY DO BE SURE AND SEE
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Every customer purchasing $5.00 worth of *DRY GOODS*, or from our large display of
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Will receive an elegant Morocco Leather-Lined *GAME OF LOTO.*
Genuine mark down in our
Cloak Department.
Wraps at $8.00, formerly $15.00.
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Cloaks from $1.00 upwards.
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Furniture
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EVERYTHING AT NEW YORK PRICES.
All Goods Marked in Plain Figures.
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18 Somerset Street.
Largest variety to select from ever shown in this city,
At Popular Prices!
Full Stock of Body, Shaft and Saddle BELLS. Also, PLUMES in all the different Shades.
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FUNERAL OF MR. MANNING.

A Simple and Impressive Ceremony—Many Prominent People Present.

ALBANY, N. Y. Dec. 29.—Senators, assemblymen, congressmen, judges, citizens, all came here yesterday to pay their tribute of respect to the dead.

The body of the dead statesman, enclosed in a black cloth covered casket, was in the parlor of the house, 142 Lancaster street, the residence of his, Mr. Samuel H. Manning.

From 9 until 11 o'clock the personal friends of Mr. Manning were permitted to look upon the face of the dead, which looked its original self save by the impress left by the ravages of the struggle for life he had undergone. The callers came from all stations in life, and the men whose names are historical vied with those whose lot is humble in the last evidence of respect to the departed.

Later in the forenoon many of the out of town people paid a visit, and as President Cleveland, Col. Lamont, and members of the cabinet ascended the stoop and entered the bells were ringing for the noon hour.

The president paused as soon as a place was made clear for him, and for a moment looked steadfastly down upon the face of the man who had proved such a rare friend and counsellor.

Shortly before 1:30 o'clock the Rev. Dr. Reese offered prayer at the house, only members of the family being present. The sad leave taking of the fond husband and devoted father had its tearful ending, the lid was closed and the coffin was borne to the hearse by the stalwart foremen of the mechanical departments of the *Argus* establishment.

As the procession marched up the aisle, of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Dr. Reese began the burial services, beginning: "I am the Resurrection and the Life."

The chant to the burial psalm, "Lord, let me know my end," was the familiar air by Felton, and was given with fine feeling by the choir of sixty voices. Spohr's "Blessed are the Departed" was then sung.

Prayer by Bishop Doane was followed by more singing, and as the bishop pronounced the words of the benediction the choir sang "Asleep in Jesus."

The casket was again taken to the hearse, the barouches were entered and the procession to the cemetery was begun. The floral tributes in the church were many.

The remains were conveyed to the Rural cemetery, and laid to rest in the family plot, which is situated opposite the Weed plot where Thurlow Weed was buried.

ARE THE BONDS IN CAIRO?

Rumors as to the Whereabouts of the Young Maine Cashier.

SACO, Me., Dec. 28.—The latest information received in regard to the defalcation of Frank C. McNeally is to the effect that McNeally was taken sick with Nile fever while in Cairo, Egypt, and feeling himself physically incapable of taking care of the bonds, hid them securely in that city, where they now are. McNeally is said to be really penitent, and will accompany the bank's agent to the place where the bonds were hidden, and will give them up. He will not return to the United States until the indictment is disposed of.

HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—Nothing has been heard of the brothers McNeally. It has been stated that Frank never left Halifax, but no authority for the statement can be discovered. An evening paper refers to the letters from the bank officials, which were brought here Harry McNeally, as remarkably writings, which give encouragement to offenders like McNeally, and roundly condemns the writers of them.

A Verdict Against a Church.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Dec. 28.—In the Montgomery county courts Monday, a jury returned a sealed verdict in favor of the defendant in the case of the executors of the will of the late Archbishop Wood of Philadelphia against the Pennsylvania, Schuylkill Valley and Western Railroad company, for damages sustained by the St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church by reason of the construction of the railroad. The claim amounted to about $50,000. The verdict was a complete surprise to every one, including Judge Swartz. A motion and reasons for a new trial were at once filed.

Swept by a Great Wave.

HAVANA, Dec. 28.—Aquadilla, a small port of Porto Rico, suffered like Baracoa by a huge wave. Fifty-three houses were swept away. The wave destroyed the solid masonry in the cemetery and eleven bodies were washed out to sea and lost. Many vessels were stormbound. The wave like the one at Baracoa, was due to a norther.

Lawlessness During a Conflagration.

WAKEFIELD, Mich., Dec. 28.—During a fire here the lawless element took possession of the town. Hundreds of shots were fired, shops were plundered, the ruffians were maddened with stolen whiskey and law-abiding people were forced to watch the destruction of their property. The town was nearly destroyed.

Twenty-five Vessels Wrecked.

ATHENS, Dec. 28.—A fierce hurricane from the west, accompanied by a severe snow storm, prevailed over the whole of Greece last night. Twenty-five vessels were driven ashore and wrecked in the Gulf of Patras.

Germany Wants American Penal System.

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—The Prussian and German department of justice have commissioned Judge Aschrott to study and report upon the American penal system, with the view of making it the basis of a new system in Germany.

Sporting Notes.

George Connors, formerly of Chicago, but now of New York, and Dave Flynn of Providence fought fifteen rounds on an island in Boston harbor Monday night. Connors had the best of the fighting throughout, but in the last three rounds he not only knocked his man out, but punished him so severely that he now lies in a farm house near the battle ground in a very precarious condition.

There is a strong probability that we will have an international contest for the America's cup next season after all. Private advices say that Col. Jamieson, the owner of the famous English cutter Irex, is the gentleman who will next try to wrest the coveted trophy from us. Though the ten months' notice on the part of the challengers required will be up at the end of this month, it is thought that the condition will be waived if Col. Jamieson's challenge arrives next month. He proposes to send over a cutter eighty-five to ninety feet long on the keel. By all means send her over.

Well posted sporting men are beginning to express doubts as to the genuiness of the fight between Smith and Kilrain. There is a good deal of talk of this kind. In the gossip about the boxers it is intimated that Mitchel, Kilrain and Smith might form a team and tour through England and this country. To-day a cablegram from London confirms this as far as two of the parties are concerned, and doubtless Mitchell is a silent partner in the arrangement. It says: "Smith and Kilrain have been engaged to box nightly at the Aquarium for a week in February. The will receive $5,000 for the exhibitions.

GLADSTONE'S VIEWS

HE SAYS THE IRISH WILL SURELY TRIUMPH.

Young Girls Corrupted—Troops Marching on Italians—The National League Defeated—Stanley's Expedition.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Mr. Gladstone arrived at Dover yesterday on his way to the continent. A small crowd assembled at the depot. Mr. Gladstone was greeted with hoots.

A number of roughs outside the depot threw snow balls at him, none of which, however, struck him. A delegation of Kentish liberals waited upon him at the town hall and presented him with an address.

Mr. Gladstone, replying to the address, referred to the uncertain character of Lord Salisbury's declarations in reference to fair trade, and said they indicated, as far as the majority in parliament is concerned, that free trade is insecure. He relied upon the masses of the people to oppose a return to protection. The coming session did not promise well for the country. If it were true that the great measure of the session, a local government bill, would not be introduced until April, the government would inflict an undisguised mockery on the country.

The last was a dark session, but this would be darker unless something was done to alleviate the situation in Ireland. The darkest blot upon parliament was the act now in operation effacing the civil rights of the Irish. The liberals were charged with interferring with the administration of the law. What he was really trying to do was to retard the government's destructive policy of perversion of the law. It were well for them that they were on the right side of the channel. If the Christian Knowledge society, in seeking to promote justice, mercy, and truth, were publishing in Ireland a book applying those principles to the unhappy country, they would be subject to criminal prosecution. Lord Salisbury talked about the consolidation of the empire while pursuing a policy of national disruption.

How, the speaker asked, could that be a policy of consolidation which disregarded centuries of national tradition and opposed the will of four out of five millions of Irish people? Ireland only continued within the bounds of moderation because she knew that she had the sympathy of friends in England. So long as her moderation continued so long would the sympathy be continued. Not long, the speaker said, could any government face a unanimous people. With the single exception of the Belfast Council, all the elective authorities sided with home rule. The foreign imported government stood alone. The liberals' term of minority in parliament would cease at the first election. Their appeal lay with the country. The party had never inscribed on its banner the name of a cause without carrying it through. Having taken up the cause of Ireland, the cause would assuredly triumph.

CORRUPTING YOUNG GIRLS

Serious Charges Against Government Officials in Ireland.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Canon O'Mahony, in a speech recently delivered at Cork, charged certain local government officials with systematically corrupting girls of tender age. The Dublin *Freeman's Journal* to-day endorses and amplifies the charges, and demands that the guilty officials be arrested at once.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* says it has information that only one man, a tried and trusted agent of Dublin Castle, is implicated in the matter. Four girls were his victims, and they are now inmates of the convent at Cork.

The National League Defeated.

DUBLIN, Dec. 28.—At a meeting at Limerick of delegates at the Gaelic athletic association, the Fenian party defeated the members of the national league in the election of officers. The priests, finding themselves outwitted, withdrew. Father Sheey, on retiring, declared that henceforth the priests would have nothing to do with the association. Father Sheey and delegates from thirty-one nationalist clubs subsequently held a meeting and decided to act independently of the Fenian members of the Gaelic athletic association. A committee was appointed to attend a convention at Thurles. Warrants have been issued for the arrest of Mr. Crosbie, the editor of the *Cook Examiner*, a liberal journal.

Troops Marching on the Italians.

ROME, Dec. 28.—Advices from Massowah say that King John of Abyssinia is advancing upon that place by rapid stages. He has under his command three bodies of troops. The first column is marching via Antalo and Algrab, the second via Adowa, while the route of the third column, which is composed of Shoans, is unknown.

The Stanley Expedition.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—A despatch from the Congo, says: "No news of Stanley has yet reached Boma, but no uneasiness is felt there. The steamers expected from Yambuga on Jan. 20 are almost certain to bring news of the expidition. The native reports are reassuring."

Murdered in the Saddle.

OMAHA, Dec. 28.—William Stance, first sergeant of Troop F, Ninth cavalry, colored, stationed at Fort Robinson, was shot and instantly killed Monday evening while riding from Crawford to Fort Robinson. The murderer is unknown, but as Stance was a strict disciplinarian, it is suspected that some private who had been reprimanded or punished murdered the officer in revenge. Stance was one of the most valued non-commissioned officers of the colored troops and had received a medal from congress for rescuing children from the Indians

Tobacco Growers Want Protection.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 28.—Tobacco growers met in Baldwinsville on Saturday and passed resolutions asking congress to abolish the war tax on tobacco, and to revise the Sumatra tariff law of 1883. Representatives were present from several counties. A non-partisan organization was perfected. Speeches were made by Wallace Tappan, M. Tobin, N. M. White and others. The growers requested congress to protect them against foreign producers, and declared in favor of a duty of 75 cents a pound on imported cigar leaf.

Chicago's Natural Gas.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—The substance of the professional opinions of experts who have during the past two days examined the gas in the water-supply pipe of the Cooke Brewing company, is that the gas is natural. Among those who have examined it is T. R. Winans, who is engaged in the natural gas business in Pennsylvania. He will make another and more thorough investigation. Should his opinion be favorable, work will be commenced without delay to secure the gas for commercial purposes.

ANARCHY AT NORTH ADAMS.

A Paper Boycotted Because it Would Not Help the Cause.

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., Dec. 28.—The first boycotting case ever brought to trial in Berkshire county came before Judge Thayer, at the district court at South Amboy, yesterday. The evidence showed that Lehman & Brenner, who publish a German newspaper in that town called *Der Zeitgeist*, have very much displeased many of their patrons because of the moderate and reasonable course they took during the recent socialistic troubles in Adams at the time the anarchists were executed in Chicago. The socialists at that time held several meetings, at which resolutions of sympathy with the doomed men at Chicago were passed. On the day of the hanging they put the American flag at half-mast and were compelled by the town authorities to take it down.

They were very much enraged at this and sent some very threatening letters to *Der Zeitgeist* for publication. The proprietors of the paper published some of them, but others they refused to publish, because they were too foul and threatening in their nature. This caused the socialists to hold a meeting, at which they appointed a committee, consisting of Adolph Schaarman, Emil Auerbach and Otto Beman, the defendants in the trial, was who should go about among the *Zeitgeist* advertisers and induce them, if possible, to withdraw their patronage. Lehman & Brenner had a warrant made out for the committee charging them with attempting to boycott *Der Zeitgeist*. The testimony was not conclusive enough to sustain the charges. They weakened when they were brought upon the stand and Justice Thayer discharged the defendants. There is much excitement among the socialists and there is likely to be more trouble, as the proprietors of *Der Zeitgeist* are bound to crush out the boycott, and they are sustained by the majority of the people in the town.

Boycotting a Postmaster.

LAUREL, Del., Dec. 28.—Gumboro, a small town of this county, is the scene of a boycott, the postmaster being the victim. During the present administration the town has had four postmasters, the present incumbent, J. E. Betts, an independent republican, being the most unpopular of any. Since his appointment four weeks ago he has cancelled less than one-third of the mail matter. Letters are collected by teamsters and mailed at Laurel and Lowe's Cross Roads. Betts has consulted his lawyer and intends to enforce the law and restrict the mail carriers from accepting any uncanceled mails.

Boston Gets Sowders.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 28.—A deal was closed Monday between Manager Seeley, of the Boston baseball club, and Managers Thompson and Barnes, of the St. Paul baseball club, by which Sowders, the light weight pitcher, who played with Minneapolis a year ago and with St. Paul last year, goes to Boston next season. Negotiations have been pending for some time, Seeley offering $4,000 and Barnes asking $10,000 for Sowders. The matter was finally compromised and Sowders goes for $7,500.

Mr. Reagan to Oppose the Blair Bill.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 26.—Letters received here by the state department of education from Senator Reagan indicate that he is preparing to make a vigorous fight against the Blair educational bill. Some of the statistics to be furnished him, however, will not be very powerful arguments in opposition to the bill. For example: Texas is now behind in the payment of her school teachers nearly a million dollars and, they are compelled to dispose of their vouchers at a big discount.

Infected Italians at Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 28.—Two cases of death in the family of Sam Maranto, an Italian fruit dealer and three in the family of Stephane Leone, occurred yesterday from diphtheria. The disease was brought here by the Leone family, who landed two weeks ago at New York from an infected Italian steamer. The Baltimore health authorities denounce the carelessness of the New York quarantine officers.

The Bosses Talk Bosh.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 27.—At the headquarters of the American Flint Glass Workers' union the talk of the manufacturers about starting their factories with green hands not causing much commotion. Secretary Dillon, in speaking of the matter said: "The talk of the manufacturers is the verest bosh. However, it truly states their position. They are trying to disrupt our union, but that will be impossible."

A Memorial to Dr. Mark Hopkins.

NORTH ADAMS, Dec. 28.—Frederick Ferris Thompson, of New York has offered to subscribe $25,000 toward a fund of $100,000 for erecting a suitable memorial building to the memory of the late Rev. Dr. Mark Hopkins of Williams College. The building is to be erected on the college grounds and used for lectures, recitations, executive and other business. Funds are being contributed to liberally by the alumni.

Mr. Corcoran's Check.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 28.—Mrs. M. A. Snowden, president of the Confederate home, has received a check for $1,000 from Mr. W. W. Corcoran of Washington as a Christmas gift to the institute. The money will be used for the permanent endowment of a Corcoran scholarship in the Confederate home school.

Ex-Governor Wetmore Enjoined.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 28.—The suit of J. M. Fisk, a New York summer resident, against ex-Governor George Peabody Wetmore to restrain the latter from using drains across the lawn of the former's place here, was begun this morning. The court granted Mr. Fish an injunction against one such drain.

A Billiardist Dead.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 28.—Thomas Wallace, the boy billiardist, died yesterday of consumption in this city. He began life as a bootblack, and afterward secured employment as marker in a billiard saloon, where he learned the game. He had played such men as Schaeffer, Slosson and Vignaux. Wallace was 22 years old.

Confessed His Crime.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 28.—A. V. Nylen, who was arrested in Louisville, Ky., last week for the theft of $705, from the Bridgeport, Conn., postoffice last summer, has admitted his guilt before United States Commissioner Platt, and was held for trial in the district court in default of $1,700 bail.

Natural Gas For Canadians.

ARNPRIOR, Ont., Dec. 28.—Mr. Sloane, an oil expert from Pennsylvania, is at present prospecting in parts of Clarendon and Bristol townships, county of Pontiac, and has come to the conclusion that a vast reservoir of gas underlies that portion of the Ottawa valley.

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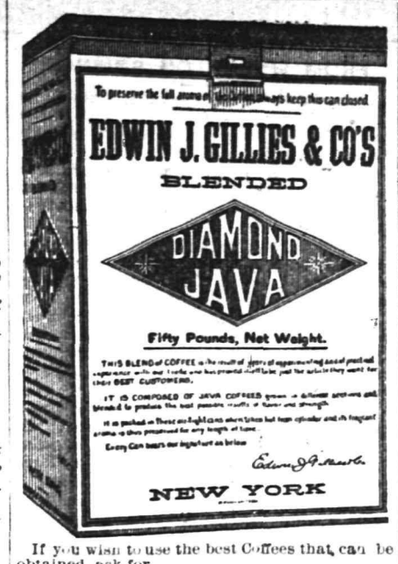

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ANOTHER KENTUCKY CAVE.

Seven Miles of Subterranean Avenues Studded With Marvels of Limestone.

BLOOMFIELD, Ky., Dec. 24.—J. A. Allan, of this place, while excavating the foundation for a new mill, struck the dome of a cavern of immense proportions, from which a strong current of cold air issued with great force as the workmen made the opening. Torches were procured and Mr. Allan and Mr. Gain Hurst were lowered down by the means of a windlass. Is was about sixty feet from the surface to the door of the cave, which they found to be level and sandy, as if it were once the bed of an ancient subterranean stream.

They followed the main avenue for a distance of over two miles and discovered an opening in a cliff on the farm of Mr. Benjamin Wilson, and a well-beaten path was easily discerned that was once trod by human beings, although it is now in many places covered with forest trees and undergrowth. Mr. Allen and Mr. Hurst, after emerging from the cave, hastened back to the town and reported the result of their discoveries. A large party was at once formed, which entered the opening of the cliff on the Wilson farm.

On one of the main avenues, evidences existed that the place had been the abode of the cave men, and numerous relics were found in the shape of pottery and bronze articles. A sepulchre was also discovered in a large niche or avenue at right angles with the main avenue, and in are several bodies resembling mummies. Three of them have been removed to the town, and excites great curiosity. The formations in the cave are very beautiful. Stately towers of stalagmites and beautiful pendants of translucent stalatites, suggestive of grotesque and unique figures, are encountered along the avenue. There is a little lake with water as clear as crystal, and, as is usual in cave streams, it is full of tiny eyeless fish. The avenues of the cave will measure in all probability about seven miles.

The site of this cave is three miles north of the Mammoth Caue.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

In a fire at McClellandtown, Pa., William R. Alton was burned to death.

The Everett house at South Framingham Mass., was burned by an incendiary.

The Spanish government has decided to celebrate the fourth centenary of the discovery of America.

A. C. Riley shot and killed William W. Hendry at Morven, Ga. It was the outcome of an old feud between the families.

Francis Parrant struck Charles M. White in the forehead with a whiffletree, at Westfield, Mass., killing him instantly.

W. A. Whitehead and L. M. Field quarrelled at Wilson, La., and Field was fatally shot. Whitehead was dangerously wounded.

Hugh Coyle and Albert Gallatin, while walking on the track near Downington Pa., were struck by the milk train and fatally injured.

Queen Victoria's gift to the Pope consists of a golden ewer and basin. These the Pope intends to use in celebrating the jubilee mass.

Benjamin Vouilamaz, a farmer living near East St. Louis, was stabbed through the heart by unknown parties. Great mystery surrounds the case.

Silas Cain and James Brent, both colored, quarrelled at a dance in Louisville, Monday, and Brent shot and killed the former. The murderer then made his escape.

Samuel Barger and Albert Connor came in Monday from Indian Territory, to Baxter Springs, Kansas, to take the town. Barger was killed and Connor locked up in jail.

The Philadelphia schooner Samuel McMenamy has been given up for lost, and there is no longer any doubt that she has foundered at sea with all hands, eight in number.

President Delano of the National Wool Growers' association has issued a circular to the wool growers of the United States, calling for organization to resist the abolition of the tariff on wool.

Last evening footpads took possession of a portion of Vine street, Cincinnati. No police officers were in the neighborhood. A dozen persons were stopped before the footpads were frightened away.

The Papal jubilee was celebrated at St. Hedwig's church, the principal Catholic church in Berlin Monday. The Emperor bell in the Cologne cathedral was rung for first time in honor of the Pope.

Ransom Muzzie and Dick Ray were playing cards at Helena, Ark., and became involved in a quarrel. Muzzie emptied both barrels of his shotgun into Ray's stomach, inflicting mortal wounds. Muzzie escaped.

Weather Indications.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—For New England, New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, threatening weather, with snow or rain, followed by colder weather on Thursday.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Money on call to-day, 4 per cent.

BONDS.

		Closing Saturday.	Closing To-day.
4½s.	1891, reg	108¾	108¾
4½s.	1891, coup	108¾	108¾
4s.	1907, reg	126½	127
4s.	1907, con	127½	127½

STOCK MARKET.

THREE O'CLOCK—Trading was light during the remainder of the afternoon, and there were no further important changes in price.

CLOSING PRICES.

	Closing Saturday.	Closing To-day.
Canadian Pacific	61¾	62
Chicago, Bur. & Q.	120½	120¾
Central Pacific	34½	35⅛
Del. & Hud.	108½	109⅛
Del., Lack. & West.	138½	139⅛
Erie	28¾	28⅞
Erie, pref.	64	64
Lake Shore	95¼	95⅝
Louis. & Nash.	60⅝	61⅝
Michigan Central	87½	94⅜
Missouri Pacific	88	89
N. Y. & New Eng.	37¼	37¼
New Jersey Central	74⅞	76⅛
New York Central & Hud.	108¾	109⅜
Northwestern	107	107½
Oregon Navigation	89½	89⅞
Pacific Mail	36	36
Reading	65¾	66⅜
Rock Island	114¼	114⅝
St. Paul	75¼	75⅜
Union Pacific	57⅛	57⅞
Western Union	77¼	78⅛

PRODUCE MARKET.

Wheat—Market quiet and firm. No. 1 red, 95¼c.; extra red, 94c.a94½c.; No. 2 red, 92¼c.; elevator, 93¼c. delivered; No. 3 red, 90¼c.; state white, 92½c.a93c.; No. 1 white, 92c.a93½c.; ungraded white, 93c.a93½c.; No. 1 hard Duluth, 95⅝c.

December, 91 1-16c.; January, 91¼c.; February, 92⅜c.; March, 93⅜c.; May, 95¼c.

Corn—Market unactive. No. 2 at 62c. in elevator and 62¾c. delivered; No. 3, 59½c.; steamer, 60¼c.

January, 61⅝c.; February, 61⅞c.; May, 63c.

Oats—Market steady. No. 1 white, 41½c.; No. 2 white, 40c.a41c.; No. 3 white, 38½c.a39c.; No. 1 mixed, 39c.; No. 2 mixed, 38c.a38c.; No. 3 mixed, 37¼c.; rejected, 30c.; No. 2 Chicago, 39¾c.

December, 37⅜c.; January, 38¼c.; February, 39¾c.; May, 40⅝c.

MERCANTILE EXCHANGE.

Butter—Market quiet. Creamery—Eastern, 25c.a28c.; western, 28c.a30c.; Elgin, 31c.a33c.; imitation, 23c.a25c. Dairy—Eastern, half-firkin tubs, 25c.a27c.; eastern, Welsh tubs, 23c.a25c.; eastern, firkins, 20c.a22c.; eastern, dairies complete, 13c.a23c.; western, 18c.a22c.; Factory—Fresh, 19c.a22c.

Cheese—Market quiet. Factory, New York, cheddar, 11c.a11¾c.; western, flat, 11½c.a11¾c. Creamery—New York, part skims, 8c.a9c.; skims, 1c.a2c.; state skims, 3c.a6c.

Eggs—Market dull. Fresh—Eastern, firsts, 23c.a25c.; Canadian, firsts, 21c.a22c.; western, firsts, 23c.a24c. Limed—Eastern, firsts, 17c.a17½c.; western, firsts, 17c.; Canadian, firsts, 17c.; imported, 19c.a21c.

PRETTY MONEY-MAKERS.

Some Good-Looking Girls Who Make Money and Bonds.

One of the Industries in Which Women Are Superior to Men—The Way They Make and Handle Bonds for Many Millions.

"Those are the girls who make money," remarked a gentleman as a long line of girls came laughing and chatting out of the big building opposite the New York *Star* office. They were happy and cheerful and as handsomely dressed and jauntily arrayed as if they were just making their exit from a matinee.

A reporter ventured up to the eighth floor of the big building to see the money-making process. The request made to one of the officials of the company was not a new one and had heretofore been invariably refused, for this great establishment has its secret processes, which it keeps as safely guarded as it does the securities of nations and carporations which it manufactures. But on this occasion the point was yielded, and accompanied by one of the officers, the round of the establishment was made.

Seated at their desks in the company's office are the young ladies who act as accountants and timekeepers. They are expert at figures; and the whole business of the department has been reduced to such a system that almost at a glance the cost of every thing that enters into the work, even to the gum on the back of a stamp, can be ascertained.

A door to the left was opened and disclosed to view ten or a dozen girls engaged in verifying numbers and counting perfected work. Here great skill and quick perception are required. Sharp eyes run with the speed of lightning down the long rows of coupons and verify the numbers, while other eyes, equally as quick, examine each sheet and it is passed along or tossed out as imperfect, until the finished work reaches the "counter," by whom it is bundled, marked and certified with her signature. It then goes to the great safe, where it is receipted for and the work is finished.

Standing in this safe, surrounded by millions of securities, including many of the South and Central American republics, as well as those of innumerable corporations in the United States and Europe, the process of engraving and printing was explained from the time the blank paper left the stock room until it reached this safe in its finished condition. The whole business is conducted on a series of orders and receipts, and not a sheet or scrap of paper can go astray from the time it enters the establishment until it is ready for delivery. Indeed, when the safes and fire-proof vaults are locked at night, there is not paper enough about the establishment for a mouse to make a bed.

The engraving rooms, where skillful artists were at their work; the process by which the engraved plates were transferred to the steel press plates and hardened, the geometrical lathe for engraving scroll work, which can not be duplicated by hand; the printing and the ink rooms—all are visited, as were also the great iron vaults, containing hundreds of perfect plates, from which an average of 10,000,000 each of securities have been printed.

And except in the heavier parts of the business and in the engraving rooms, the girls who make money were everywhere. They were met in the halls and rooms in the building, their arms burdened with bundles of securities, which they were transporting on their way to perfection, the amount in hand being great enough to make them millionaires; in the rooms running numbering machines, counters, pinners, and in the press-room, where each girl was assisting "her man" in running the press, by dampening, laying and flattening the sheet, while "her man" applied the ink, prepared the plate, and did the press-work. In this department each girl speaks of the pressman as "her man," the two working together, and when one is absent the other, perforce, is idle also. In fact, whenever girls are employed in the mechanical department of making money they appear as a man's assistant and helpmate and occasionally a mutual agreement is made over their manipulation of stocks and bonds to continue the relation through life, and these relations have usually been happy ones. In the tower of the building there was a perfect beehive of girls hard at work examining and preparing the money on the tables before them, and happy and cheerful-looking they were, too, as were about all employed in the establishment.

There, too, you find pure, unadulterated democracy. The girl who is engaged in counting $10,000 bonds and examining their coupons does not think herself a bit more elevated than the one who is assorting ten-cent notes, nor does she believe herself justified in drawing invidious distinctions. She knows in this mimicry, as in real life, the whirligig of time may throw the bonds into the lap of her companion, and give her the small change as a portion.

The very character of the work precludes the possibility of much talking. The eye, the touch, and the mind must be intent on the task in hand, for negligence or inattention is certain to be detected at the next stage the money takes in transit.

"Why do you employ girls in the process of money-making instead of men and boys?" asked the reporter of his guide.

"Because they are quicker of perception, have a most delicate sense of touch and are more tractable than boys. In fact, a girl of sixteen, if suited to our employ, has the fixed habits of a man of twenty-five combined with greater expertness. Then they have a deeper sense of duty, do exactly as they are instructed, and are in every way more reliable than boys, or even very young men.

"Every girl in our employ has been recommended by people in good standing. Many of them are daughters of people who have been able to give them liberal educations, and some of them have parents or kinsfolks dependent upon them. Before we engage a girl we investigate her history."

"Do many of the girls marry employes of the establishment?"

"Occasionally they do. In fact, several of the girls in the press room have married 'her man.' But marriage generally ends their service here. They retire voluntarily, to become the center of a home circle, and usually make excellent wives. We have several cases where husbands have died, however, and the girls have returned to our employ."

Chestnuts by the Ton.

Seven thousand five hundred bushels of chestnuts were handled by the American Express Company at Bradford, Pa., one day last fall.

EVE ate the apple because she was hungry—that is hollow Eve.—*Exchange.*

FROM WORKS ON SCIENCE.

A NEW disinfectant that is thought to be especially adapted for use in localities where epidemics are common has been obtained from coal oil.

THE diet of prehistoric races has been ascertained through the process of decalcifying the dental tartar from the teeth of their mummyfied remains.

A DELICATE operation is accomplished in a neat and expeditious manner by the use of the electro-magnet. It is the location and extraction of a needle from the human body.

SCIENTIFIC investigations have determined that the germs of disease are taken up and deposited by flies, the baccilli of consumption having been found in abundance on window panes and walls.

THAT dynamite always explodes downwards is stated to be a popular fallacy. All such explosives as nitro-glycerine, gun-cotton and fulminates, exert the greatest force against the point of greatest resistance.

DRINKING-WATER taken in large quantities acts as a diuretic and increases the perspiration in a high temperature. Increase of weight has also been attributed to systematic water-drinking, but the supposition is claimed to be erroneous.

IT has been observed that trees of a special variety indicate soil of a certain kind. For instance, pines are found in rock or gravel soil; beeches in a chalky soil; elms in rich, damp soil; oaks and ashes in heavy clay soil, and willows and poplars in marshy soil.

IN connection with the sense of hearing are similar phenomena to those occurring in the sight. It has been observed that some persons are unable to distinguish certain sounds in the same manner that others can not distinguish certain colors. This infirmity is termed "sound blindness."

THE tube for the great telescope of the Lick observatory, on Mt. Hamilton, Cal., is four feet in diameter in the center, and weighs in all eight thousand six hundred pounds. This huge instrument is so exactly made and nicely balanced that the pressure of a single finger will direct it to any point in the heavens.

ACCORDING to scientific authority, sleep will prevent nervous headache if taken at the right time. If the subjects of such headaches will watch the symptoms of its coming they can notice that it begins with a feeling of weariness or heaviness. This is the time a sleep of an hour, or even two, as nature guides, will effectually prevent the headache.

SEWER-AIR is regarded by some sanitarians as dangerous only when it contains the germs of specific diseases; but the many instances in which it has seemed to be the sole cause of persistent sore throats, headaches, and diarrhœal troubles, without the development of any well-defined disease, would seem to militate against this view.

THE mode of capital punishment most in accord with humanity is thought to be by means of electricity. The plan advanced is that of an arm-chair with metal arms. The condemned person would be seated in the chair, and at the proper moment receive a full electric charge through the metallic arms. This would pass straight through his body, across his chest, and death would be instantaneous. A dynomo of forty-twe horse-power would be sufficient to accomplish the work with neatness and dispatch.

THE superstition that human beings should sleep with their heads to the north is believed by the French to have for its foundation a scientific fact. They affirm that each human system is in itself an electric battery, the head being one of the electrodes, the feet the other. Their proof was discovered from experiments which the Academy of Sciences was allowed to make on the body of a man who was guillotined. This was taken the instant it fell and placed upon a pivot, free to move as it might. The head part, after a little vascillation, turned to the north, and the body then remained stationary.

FEMININE NOTABLES.

BOSTON society has two fine violinists in the Misses Botsford and Carpenter of that city.

HARRIET BEECHER STOWE prefers Hartford Conn., to any spot in the world as a residence place.

MME. CHRISTINE NILSSON was presented with a magnificent fan studded with rubies and diamonds by an Eastern potentate.

THE best-dressed woman in America is said to be Mrs. Coleman Drayton. She spends annually for her clothes about forty thousand dollars.

REPORT says that Mrs Jefferson Davis remarked recently, that she never believed in the success of the Confederacy in the war, but always predicted defeat for her husband.

A LADY physician of New York, Dr. Mary Putnum Jacobi has the largest professional income in that city, receiving over forty thousand dollars annually. She lives and conducts her business under the same roof with her husband, who is also a physician.

THE "woman in politics," is apparent in the person's of a pair of Wayne County, N. Y., ladies named Miss Nellie L. Cook and Miss Ella Clark, candidates for the office of school commissioner, the former on the Democratic ticket and the latter on the Prohibition ticket. They are regularly stumping the county.

A LADY named Hildegard Oelrichs who is engaged to a leading steamship owner of this country, has won a reputation in fashionable circles for her pluck in the hunting field. When visiting at the Bradley Martins' shooting-box in Scotland she brought down a stag with her rifle, and last year she excited the enthusiasm of the West by shooting a grizzly bear in the Rocky Mountains.

MRS. CLEVELAND patronizes a Washington tailor when she orders new costumes. She does not like the fuss and bother of the old fashioned dressmaker, and while in Europe adopted the custom of going to a tailor to have her dresses made. The fact that she has clung to this habit has had an effect on Washington sign-boards. Where once the word "Dressmaker" appeared is now painted the legend "Ladies' Tailor."

MARY ANDERSON wears a cloak in "A Winter's Tale" which it took twenty-five women three weeks to embroider. The embroidery was done from designs by Alma Tadema. Miss Anderson's necklace is copied from one supposed to have been worn by Helen of Troy, which is now in the South Kensington Musem. Miss Anderson, in London, occupies a house on Hampstead Hill from which she can look down upon the smoky city and congratulate herself that she is breathing purer air than the millions of human beings below her.

MISS PROCTOR, widow of Barry Cornwall, is the most interesting old lady in London society. She is eighty-seven years of age, but "goes everywhere," as the phrase is, and is eminently popular for her wit, good spirits, and conversational powers. Her father was the famous Basil Montague. Mrs. Proctor lives in a handsom flat in the Albert Mansions. Charles Dickens used to say that, when he wanted "to brighten up," he went to see Mrs. Proctor. She has known intimately the famous men of England for some generations past, and her memory is stocked with interesting facts.

RULING MEN BY TACT.

How a Woman Can Have Her Own Way Without Letting Others Know It.

Did you ever notice that some exceedingly-clever card-players manage their trumps with as great eccentricity as ingenuity? asks a writer in the Chicago *Herald*. The sequel often shows their reason; but when households and husbands are to be managed there is but one invariable rule. For wise women and foolish ones, for ugly ones and pretty ones, for young ones and old ones, there is but one solution of the mighty problem. Tact is the needful commodity. Tact is the one perception that rules the world. Tact is a beautiful product of long years of cultivation. It is claimed that tact is inborn in some women, but that is a matter of doubt. A certain amount of graciousness may be natural, but when it passes a given point it shows contact with the world and much experience. When the old Greek poet, Anacreon, desisted long enough from his praises of love and wine to sing of women, he said: "In all her weakness she can conquer both fire and iron by the mere graciousness of her presence." It is very easy to say let us at all times be assiduous to temper, to harmonize, to sweeten that society which we want to rule, but it is quite another thing to carry out such a resolve if it is made. There seems but one way to learn this difficult lesson, but it wins in the end, even though it be a long, tiresome hill to climb.

Try, try again:
If at first you don't succeed,
Try, try again—

In a family a mother, a wise mother, soon learns the need of tact in the government of her children; but in young housekeepers and young wives a long time, a sad and dreary time, is very apt to elapse before even the necessity to study well this problem is brought home with force enough to make one pause and reflect.

The beginning, the faint, almost imperceptable dawning of an unknown comet with its fiery tail of after disaster is generally brought to light through one or two mediums: A husband or a cook. Comparisons are said to be odious; so we will not particularize as to the relative success as an irritant of these two—but a cook can always be dismissed. In the first place, husbands are all alike. Secretly each may realize that he is below his wife's level—mentally, morally or physically—or in all three ways. Again he may know the contrary to be true, but that does not make the slightest difference. He was born a lord of creation and a wife was not. He never tries to learn to have tact. He never does learn to have tact, and he never wants to. So that is the first thing to be realized, from the woman's standpoint, and then natural intuition points out the good, firm ground to stand on when the needful dexterity of manipulation has taught how to cross the dreadful "Slough of Despond" between.

In society tact is always a large factor, and social success seems to be a goal all women strive for unceasingly. The person who has tact enough to seem to be interested in every body's affairs is every body's favorite. It may be an awful bore, but one little glimpse of weariness in the eyes, one bit of looseness in the reins that govern one's self, and an hour's patient dullness is thrown away.

Two leading women of Chicago were discussing over a dainty lunch the upbringing of their children. Said one: "Ah! children are no more alike than men and women. I am obliged to exercise the greatest amount of different ingenuity to drive all my little flock together." "My dear," replied the older woman, "we all are astonished to find as we grow older that the one who has sufficient tact to drive any flock, big or little, the particular way she has decided for them to go, has accomplished almost a miracle." "Yes, I suppose that is so," hesitatingly responded the newly aroused one, "but if I want Louie or her papa to do any thing, I must coax them into good humor; first tempt the one with sweeties, the other with a good dinner; smooth all the trials out of their lives and gradually beat up to my wish, until they themselves fancy it is their own. With Bertie coaxing always wins the day. With Agnes fear of punishment is the only conqueror, but with my dashing Jack that it will make mama happy is enough." "Say no more," again interrupted the elder, "you have gained a marvelous victory. You see four paths reaching to the same end. Keep your guiding hand firm and success is yours."

If so it be in the family, so it is, too, in the world, and the quick observer of the ways to rule is, almost always, sure to be the one who has tact enough to walk in the necessary direction. No possible good ever came from beating and battering down another's ideas. A certain amount of fear of, and anxiety to escape from, the woman who is always ready to storm a fort is easily detected, but she who, sweetly and quietly choosing the right moment, brings forward her own views, who delicately insinuates after all she has gathered from your remarks such a train of thought—has observed the force of your argument—doubtless such a light has not been presented to you. Ah! that is enough; man and woman alike adore her for her sweet graciousness; given ten minutes, you will swear her very thoughts are yours.

What, then, is the power behind the throne? If women do rule it certainly is not openly done, but through some subtle unseen power, and that is tact. Discretion has long been called the better part of valor, and it is not deserting one's colors to pamper the cook's peculiarities a little. Which mistress is the wisest, think you? She, who with an invited company before her, stands upon her dignity and bids an irate, disrespectful cook to leave the house, or she who reasons away the anger with pleasant mildness, sees her entertainment off well and cook brought to her knees next morning? Who keeps her friend the longest, she who answers back again and continues an argument until it becomes heated, or she who leaves her side undefended until a more fitting season, or with much dexterity leads the conversation to less disputed points?

One of the greatest consolations in seeing youth and beauty slowly, slowly, yet all too quickly, fade away, is the wisdom which comes with each added year.

A Reasonable Request.

The following touching appeal is clipped from a Missouri paper: "If the gentlemen who tarred and feathered us last Saturday night will kindly return our clothes they will confer a lasting favor. We are still wearing the feathers, and while, owing to the thoroughness of our fellow-citizens' work, they are quite comfortable for house wear, still the gentlemen who have come out with a fall feather suit are so few that our appearance on the street in the costume would be sure to cause remarks. Please return the pants and shirt at least, and our friends are welcome to the paper collar and the spurs."

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BY THE WAY.

—The law makers will soon meet at Trenton.

—The Bound Brook Vigilant Committee will hold its annual meeting on Jan. 9th.

—The Christmas festival of the Episcopal church at New Market was held yesterday afternoon.

—A number of new Woodruff parlor cars have recently been placed on the Central Railroad.

—Skating at The Crescent, Saturday afternoon and evening, Dec. 31, 1887, and Monday afternoon and evening, Jan. 2, 1888.

—On to-morrow evening will occur the final meeting of the '87 Council. Considerably unfinished business will then be transacted.

—Notwithstanding the intense cold weather today the lakes in this vicinity were alive with merry skaters, who seemed to enjoy the sport hugely.

—The attractive show windows of Warden & Fowler, confectioners, No. 29 Park avenue, is the delight of the children. The new firm is doing a fine holiday trade.

—Slow progress is being made in putting up the names of streets at intersections. Until that requirement of the law is carried out free delivery will not come to us.

—The recently elected officers of Major Anderson Post, No. 109, G. A. R., will be installed into their respective offices at the next encampment on Thursday of next week.

—A Christmas tree was lighted at the Children's Home this afternoon, and the hearts of the little ones were made to overflow with gladness, by the good things they received.

—The dynamo which furnishes the electric light at the Scott Press Works burned out on Friday, and the men are obliged to stop work at five p. m., until the armature is rewound.

—In Cutter's Hall this evening the Plainfield Berean Bible Class, will give a sociable to their friends. A programme will be rendered consisting of music, recitations and refreshments.

—There are two things our citizens must commence to practice on, and afterward follow—date your checks and letters 1888 and have your letters directed to your house and business numbers.

—The Loan Exhibition in the Art Gallery building is still attracting many visitors who love to wander through the spacious halls and ponder over the quaint and curious things now on exhibition there.

—The second grand sociable of "The Merry Five," was held in Excelsior Hall, Scotch Plains, last evening, and among the guests were a few persons from this city. Prof. Frazee furnished the music for dancing.

—This evening the Plainfield Gesang and Turn Verein Society, will tender to their friends a Christmas sociable and hop, at their headquarters on Somerset street. Dancing and a good time in general is promised those who attend.

—The genuine Sou' East rain storm which set in early yesterday morning was followed during the afternoon by a heavy gale. The weather continued to grow colder as night approached and this morning the mercury registered near zero.

—Over 500 tickets have been given away to customers who have purchased 50 cents worth of candy at Foote's confectionery store, No. 19 Park avenue, any of which is liable to win the mammoth candy hotel displayed in the window. Lots of tickets left.

—In the Court of Quarter Sessions at New Brunswick, yesterday, John Barry, John Hogan, Thomas Conway and Willis Mack, accused of assaulting Thomas Newland (all of this city) pleaded not guilty. They were released on bail to appear for trial this morning at ten o'clock.

—On the last day of the old year and the day we'll celebrate of the new, there will be skating in The Crescent.

—The Elizabeth *Journal* says: "Detective Worsley, the Plainfield firebug detective, was in this city yesterday. He is now located in New York State."

—Dr. Talmage's sermon on our last page today, is his Christmas sermon as preached in the Brooklyn Tabernacle, last Sunday. Subject: "The Barn and its Surroundings."

—New resolutions are being engrossed by some people preparatory to their unanimous adoption on New Year's Day. Unlike the resolutions adopted by the City Council, however, they are not authorized "officially published."

—Messrs. Schwed Bros. call attention in their advertisement today to their great sacrifice sale of clothing during the next thirty days. This reduction is made so as to close out the Winter stock and make room for Spring goods.

—There are no new developments in the Westfield divorce case, which by the way is legitimate news. It is generally conceded in Westfield that the Grand Jury will indict Roll for assault and battery, and a severance of the nuptials between his wife and himself will probably be the ultimate result.

—The enterprising firm of A. M. Vanderbeek & Co., No. 33 Park avenue, display a fine stock of holiday goods in their line in their show windows. Sportsmen should remember that loaded shells can be procured at this establishment, warranted to kill if "you only hold on 'em." See advertisement in another column.

—In response to the request of a number of our leading citizens, the Music Hall management has succeeded in engaging Mr. W. J. Florence to appear in his great character of *Captain Cuttle* in "Dombey and Son." This treat will take place on Tuesday evening of next week. Sale of seats at the usual prices, begins to-morrow.

—There is to be a three days' trap shooting tournament on the Fair Grounds at Flemington, N. J., under the management of the Flemington Trap Shooting Association, George E. Reading, President, commencing Jan. 10th and continuing to the 13th, 1888. On the opening day, it is announced that there will be a grand championship sweepstake match, open to the world, at 25 live birds, $25 entrance fee. The other days will be devoted to inanimate target and live pigeon shooting.

—The firemen's relief association o New Brunswick will unite, it is said, in pressing a bill on the attention of the next Legislature asking for relief from foreign insurance companies, whose agents fail to pay the 2 per cent. premium on all policies secured here to the treasurer of the relief association, as provided by law. Agents of foreign companies have thrived at the expense of the firemen in this way for many years, and at the meeting of the State association, which was held here last Fall, a resolution was adopted calling for that legislative action which will be attempted in the interest of the firemen at Trenton this Winter.

—General satisfaction is expressed by the large number of commutors of this city over the graded system of commutation rates which is to go into effect Jan. 1st. "They say" that cheap commutation and rapid transit cannot fail to make Plainfield still more attractive as a place of residence. Certain it is that with excellent water, no malaria, comparative freedom from mosquitoes, schools of all grades, churches of nearly all denominations and benevolent and social societies of various kinds, our city stands second to none in the State in the way of offering inducements to people who are looking for a home where they can settle down and be comfortable.

—The annual report of the Ocean Grove Association has been issued in pamphlet form. As there are many persons in this city who Summer at the Grove, the following statistics may be of interest, especially to them: The largest number of trains on the railroad in one day was 114; special excursions during the season, 171; largest number of excursions in one day, 26; railroad cash receipts for August, at Ocean Grove station, $45,992; total pieces of baggage handled during the season, 91,000; Adams' Express packages handled, 120,000; number of cottages this year, 906; last year, 879; receipts at the post office, $6,303.66; number of pieces of mail matter handled during the season, 500,000,

Unity Lodge K. of P. Election.

Unity Lodge, No. 102 K. of P., last evening elected the following officers:

P. C.—D. W. Rogers.
C. C.—T. C. Smith.
V. C.—L. R. Blackford.
P.—Jno. M. Hetfield.
M. at A.—Jno Sharkey.
K. of R. and S.—J. Shepard.
M. of F.—J. M. Hawkins.
M. of E.—Bateman Thatcher.
Representative to Grand Lodge—Jos. Shepard.
Alternate—H. J. Martin.

THE ART GALLERY EXHIBIT.

More About the Pictures Loaned for the Occasion.

So much space in THE PRESS has been demanded, for the past few issues, to chronicle the coming of the many Christmas exercises, and to report their successfull accomplishment, that the continued daily review of the works of art in the Loan Exhibition, has been impeded. Right here, however, it may begin again, and the many visitors of last Monday who were so interested in the special art achievements pointed out in these columns, may go again next Monday and find attraction and pleasure anew in other works we will refer to.

No. 47 is a scene at Lake Tahoe, loaned by the artist, Miss Susan E. Sroufe. This lady is a native of California, and now in Paris studying the art she shows the gift of to quite a creditable degree. On way from her home to New York, the port she intended to sail from, Miss Sroufe stopped in this city. Charmed with the many creditable pictures the Gallery owns, she sought permission to make sketches from them. Through the influence and courtesy of Mr. Julian Scott, Chairman of the Hanging and Decorating Committee, the favor was extended her, and she prolonged her stay in this city through many days to avail herself of the privilege. Upon leaving to continue her journey to Paris, Miss Sroufe proved her appreciation by loaning the Gallery, picture No. 47.

There is much delicacy and grace in the treatment of the distant mountains, in this picture, yet it dawns upon the experienced observer through an atmosphere of old-acquaintanceship—you recognize having met those white-tipped mountains and azure canopy, so often before. Yet if paintings with crude foregrounds and plagiarized middle-distances, can be pleasing, this is one of that kind.

One of two valuable pictures loaned the exhibition by Mr. James Clark, is No. 58, "The Life Boat," by H. Chase. There is every reason why, to many, this picture is a gem of the collection. There is a fascination about the scene itself and the way it is presented, that cannot be described. Even the sea-green waves do not roll and break as in other waterscapes. Courageous intent and determined purpose is clearly cut in the silhouette of each sturdy sailor, that stands out with startling vividness against a white sky. It is no seashore picture with bathing-ground waves rolling, as always, towards you. Out of sight of land this boat is launched, and the line of the wave on the crest of which it is poised, runs almost straight out to the horizon. That picture should not be overlooked.

No. 31, "Driving Geese to Water," is painted by Adolph Linz and loaned by Mr. A. C. Baldwin who has *given*, already, so much. The painting is a gem of its type. Full of bright color; and each figure replete with action.

We mildly suggested to our contemporaries last week, that if they *would* write of high ceramic art, to please bear in mind that cloisonne really meant "inclosed," and that the Schoonmaker Collection at the Art Gallery consisted of porcelain and *Cloisonne enamel*. Yet one of the locals, yesterday, sets the people's teeth on edge with a reference to "the specimen of blue and white porcelain cloissone ware, that is now being exhibited in the Schoonmaker collection."

Officers of the Jr. O. U. A. M.

At a regular meeting of Franklin Council, No. 41, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, held in the Sons of Temperance rooms last evening, the following officers were elected:

Counsellor—E. E. Vail.
Vice Counsellor—C. W. Tallman.
Rec. Sec'y—David Bodine.
Asst. Rec. Sec'y—H. Symons.
Financial Sec'y—Chas. Post.
Conductor—David Donovan.
Warden—Chas. Morehouse.
Inside Sentinel—Harry Ackerman.
Outside Sentinel—Harry Adams.
Representative to State Council for two years—Charles Davis. For one year—Howard Frey.
Representative to Funeral Benefit Association—Peter H. Bennett.

Franklin Council is in a flourishing condition, and new members are being constantly admitted. Meetings are held every Thursday evening, in the Sons of Temperance rooms.

St. John's Day.

December 27th is known and celebrated in Masonic circles as the anniversary of Saint John, the Evangelist. On that day it is the duty of "Free and Accepted Masons" to assemble and by a solemn invocation of the past, renew the ties and strengthen the fraternal bonds that bind the present to the brotherhood of the olden time. In Blue Lodge Masonry, it is also celebrated as the commencement of the Masonic year, and whenever possible, the newly elected officers are installed and take their several official places in their lodges.

THE HOLIDAY FESTIVAL

Continued in the Churches.

Christmas has come and gone, but still the glorious festival continues. Last evening the Sunday schools of the Church of Our Saviour at Netherwood, Grace, and the First Baptist church held appropriate exercises. The weather though was not in a holiday humor, and while it had its effect on outdoor merriment, the indoor celebrations were none the less bright and cheerful. The Sunday school of the Church of the Holy Cross held its Christmas anniversary yesterday afternoon:

HOLY CROSS.

The Christmas festival of the Sunday school of Holy Cross church was held in the church yesterday afternoon. The large Christmas tree reached to within a few feet of the apex of the chancel arch and was elaborately decorated with handsome and appropriate ornaments. Around its base the many gifts were placed in an attractive manner. The centre aisle was lined by the new banners of the various classes, and soon after four o'clock the children marched in from the Sunday school building and filed into their seats. The services embodied an address by the rector, Rev. T. Logan Murphy, the singing of carols and presentation of gifts. A feature was the presentation of an elegant set of books, by the teachers and scholars, to their absent Superintendent, Mr. Chas. Wann. The supply of gifts seemed inexhaustible, and every one, from the rector to the smallest guest, was generously remembered.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR.

The Sunday school of the Church of Our Saviour at Netherwood had a festival last evening that it will long remember. The friends of the school prepared a large and beautiful tree, and provided gifts for every pupil in the school. Besides the latter, several of the teachers made special gifts to their classes. Awards were made by Mr. Poillon for punctuality and for success in bringing in new pupils. An address was made by S. A. Haines, and beautiful carols were sung with a will at intervals during the exercises. After the children had been satisfied and it was supposed that all the gifts had been dispensed of, Mr. Haines called out the Superintendent, W. J. Leonard, and afterward the leader of the singing, Thomas Brown, and in turn "caned" each one of them in behalf of the school. The recipients took the canes and agreed to make good use of them.

GRACE CHURCH.

In Grace church the exercises were of a very pleasing character, and there was a beautiful tree, laden with pretty things. The children's treat was a very generous one, and the occasion in all respects an appropriate and a happy one. The chancel was brilliant with its decorations and illuminations, and the whole interior of the church was a profusion of evergreens artistically and skillfully arranged by a Committee of ladies selected for the occasion. Over the main aisle leading from the vestibule were suspended from the ceiling large Christmas bells, which added greatly to the appearance of the place. Mrs. W. A. Freeman occupied her accustomed seat at the organ and the choir was composed of the following well-known singers: Mrs. T. W. Davis, Miss Runyon, Messrs. W. R. Cock and T. B. Brown, Jr. The school assisted materially in the singing. Rev. E. M. Rodman, the rector, presided. The exercises consisted of carols and responsive readings, prayer and a Scripture lesson from St. Matthew, second chapter, followed by an address by the rector, who directed his remarks to the children. In this church, he said, Christmas is observed during the entire week, and is not confined to any particular day. The Christmas tree, he considered, an appropriate subject to talk about. In Genesis the tree is first spoken of as the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and its leaves are for the healing of the nation. Unlike the tree spoken of in the Bible which bears fruit every month, this tree bears fruit of a peculiar kind every twelve months, and as you receive these good things from the church of God, or from Christ himself, as he is at the head of the church, you should banish all evil from your minds. For on this Christmas day Christ was born. Boys and girls should study the question of love and subjection as Christ did. "But," he said in conclusion, "I'm not going to stand any longer between you and this tree." After a carol was sung, then came the distribution of gifts, and as each scholar advanced to the platform he or she was presented with a Christmas gift. An anthem was sung and the festivities closed with the benediction.

FIRST BAPTIST.

The scholars of the Baptist School also held their Christmas anniversary last evening. Mr. C. W. McCutchen, the Superintendent, presided, and Mr. David Lyon was the accompanist. The programme included recitations by Miss Kitty Case and Miss Grace Cooley, vocal selections by the Misses Manning, one of which, "The Cows are in the Corn," was rendered in a charming manner and occasioned favorable comment. Mr. David Lyon performed a difficult piano solo, and some of the older scholars took part in charades, etc. Mr. Harold Serrell as "Santa Claus" went about the Sunday school room, distributing jumping-jacks and other trinkets among the children. Each scholar was presented with a box of candy, even to Freeholder Vanderbeck, and about ten o'clock the gathering dispersed.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Rev. W. R. Richards will deliver the fourth in the series of free lectures at Reform Hall this evening.

Fire Commissioner Wm. H. Brower, who has been confined to the house for some time past by illness, is now recovering.

Miss Lizzie Hasbrouck of Grove street, will give a progressive euchre party on Friday, for which a number of invitations have been issued.

Wm. Taylor, Bound Brook's veteran hackman, died recently, aged 63 years, of consumption. Deceased had resided in Bound Brook about forty years, twenty-two of which he drove a stage between there and New Brunswick. His wife, four sons and two daughters survive him.

Mr. Peter W. Lutes, of this city, has accepted a position with the United States Electric Light Co., at Newark. Since the organization of the Plainfield Electric Light company, Mr. Lutes has been one of its most faithful employees, filling the position of assistant engineer with entire satisfaction.

Another one of the reasons because of which we welcome the coming of the new year, is that we are again favored with a calendar from the Lawrence Cement company, through the courtesy of Mr. Ernest R. Ackerman. Each year this Company chooses the best of the Lowell art engravings for the purposes of their calendar.

Adding Insult to Injury.

A local sheet on Saturday, not taking into consideration the feelings of the bereaved family, which is invariably the case, published a lot of trash and falsehood concerning the death of the lamented Mrs. Wilton Randolph of Netherwood. It is needless to say that such matter is excluded from the columns of THE PRESS, and is *never* handled by *journalists*. Furthermore it is altogether unfit for a place in the household. It is nevertheless consoling to know that the few places where the article was masqueraded into the home, it found a ready receptacle in the stove—as it should. Not content with publishing falsehoods, the same sheet in its next issue added insult to injury, by trying to creep around the disreputable article culled by a penny-a-liner from irresponsible sources, and instead of pouring oil on the troubled waters, only made matters worse. But what can be expected?

Real Estate Transfers.

Property in North Plainfield Township is continually changing hands. Following is a list of the transfers made within the past week or two, the deeds for which have been recorded with the Clerk of the County of Somerset:

Dec. 8—Geo. B. Steele to James A. Baker, property in North Plainfield, price $225.

Dec. 9—Catherine Lichtenstein to Samuel Q. Lawson, property in North Plainfield, $3,000.

Dec. 10—John D. Norris to T. J. F. Zeller, property in North Plainfield, $3,000. Sarah A. Coon to Elisha Coriell, property in North Plainfield, $500. Wm. White et ux to Caroline Sutterlein, property in North Plainfield, $1,000.

Dec. 15—John H. French to Manning Vermeule, property in North Plainfield, $2,000. Manning Vermeule to Mary E. French, same property, $2,000.

Remembering God's Poor.

The Ministering Children's League of Grace church has sent a valuable box to the Flower Mission of New York city. In addition to what they gave and collected, there were many contributions from the merchants of Plainfield, which were gratefully received and have been acknowledged with thanks by the Secretary. The League numbers some eighty members, with Mrs. E. S. Craft, President, and Miss S. E. G. Fox, Vice President.

The merchants who joined in the charity were Messrs. H. Hanchett, Barkalew & Dunn, Peter Bennett, John Allen, H. P. Reynolds, M. Estil, Seeley Edsall and Carl Peterson.

The Ministering Children will meet at Grace church on Friday, Jan. 6, 1888.

—The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will meet in regular session on Thursday next.

—Never hang a picture so it will be necessary to mount a stepladder to view it. Hang it so that centre will be about five feet and a half from the floor, a little below the line of vision of a person of average height.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

THE PLAINFIELD ASSAULTERS ARRAIGNED.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Dec. 29—In the Middlesex County Court before Judge Cowenhoven today the five young men from Plainfield named respectively Barry, Hogan, Conway, Mack and Duckworth who are charged with assaulting Thomas Newland, a plumber in the employ of Mr. D. W. Littell of Plainfield, were arraigned for trial. Duckworth was represented by individual counsel, and counsel for the other defendants was also present. Duckworth pleaded guilty to the charge, and will be sentenced on Wednesday next. At noon court adjourned over for one hour, the bail of the other defendants was forfeited and they were paroled into the custody of the Sheriff.

THE STRIKE SPREADING.

John Lee's Opinion of the Result.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—There is a feeling of great uncertainty this morning in regard to the supplemental strike. The situation in many quarters looks cloudy, with little chance of any sunshine through negotiations with the company. Today's convention at Reading is to settle some points of difference between the road and the employees, but whether this settlement will serve as a quietus, or only inflame the situation, no one can tell at present.

Chairman John Lee, who ordered the second strike of yesterday, says: "I think it will result in a general strike of everybody in the employ of the Reading corporation, freight men, brakemen and conductors, switchmen, telegraph operators, signal tower men, passenger crews, engineers and firemen, miners, laborers, call boys—in short, every rank and degree of labor on the railway system and in the Schuylkill mining region. That will mean 60,000 men at least.

Concert at Dunellen.

The concert in the Presbyterian church at Dunellen last evening was a grand success, both financially and otherwise. The Plainfield singers returned home in a stage about eleven o'clock. The programme was as follows:

Solo.....T. B. Brown.
Duett.....Messrs. Barnes and Runyon.
Solo.....Mrs. M. E. Davis.
Duett—"Abide with me" Mrs. Bird and T. Brown.
Solo.....E. Runyon.
Solo—"Jerusalem".....T. B. Brown.
Duett.....Mrs. Bird and T. Brown.
Solo.....Mrs. Davis.
Solo.....B. T. Barnes.
Duett.....Messrs. Runyon and Barnes.

Mrs. Davis and Mr. B. T. Barnes were each obliged to respond to encores. After the concert the singers were entertained in the lecture room of the church.

A Woman's Example for Women.

Under the above heading a New York critic in the *Herald* thus depicts Mrs. James Brown Potter who is to appear at Music Hall on Saturday evening:

The success of Mrs. James Brown Potter, in her stage venture, is gratifying in this, that it is not only a compliment to a woman of force and intellect, in which all who believe in the advancement of women will rejoice, but a practical evidence of what a woman can do who means to do something. The best that society can do for men and women is to allow them to do the best they can for themselves. In England we have seen ladies of high birth and gentle culture going sensibly into business, and with good results. Industry and courage brought them independence, as industry and courage almost invariably do.

It is a false view of a woman's position to suppose that she invades her womanhood by honest employment. Mrs. Potter in going upon the stage, has not only achieved a triumph in art, but a success which must be gratifying to all who believe in women having the nerve to help themselves.

At Home to Everybody.

There will be "open house" at the Young Men's Christian Association's rooms on Front street, Monday next, from two o'clock in the afternoon until ten o'clock in the evening. The young ladies of the "Y. M. C. A. Nine," will decorate the rooms for this occasion with their good taste and their presence, and serve the refreshments that will be provided. There will be music during the afternoon and evening, and possibly other attractive entertainment. Everyone is invited to call, and all are welcome.

—Every now and again we hear of a person ejecting some monster from the stomach. The latest case was that of a young woman who vomited a turtle. But on further examination it was found to be simply a piece of orange peel. We suspect other tales of the same sort would have a like explanation if properly examined.

WASHINGTON EVENTS.

THE WORK BEFORE THE FISHERIES COMMISSION.

Reducing the Revenue—The Contractors Must Pay—Express Companies.

Decreased Value of Silver.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—There is good reason to believe that the fisheries commission will make short work when it reassembles next month. Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Charles Tupper will come back from Ottawa, it is now believed here, empowered to accept the proposition made by our representatives during the conference to refer to arbitration the two main questions at issue, namely: First, whether Canada shall give our fishing vessels the commercial rights which we accord to their fishing vessels, and, secondly, whether the three-mile limit shall follow the indentations of the shore. It is believed by Secretary Bayard and the other American negotiators that these questions would certainly be decided in our favor by any arbitrators that might be selected. Our case has been very well presented during the sessions of the fisheries conference. When the minutes of the conference are published no one will have any difficulty in seeing that our position is impregnable.

The rumor that the President will send a message to Congress, advising the reduction of the tobacco tax is revived. The general belief is, that should he do so, a bill reducing the internal revenue about $36,000,000, and the tariff about $35,000,000 would be the result. Congressman Townshend, in an interview on revenue reduction says: "From what I can hear, a tariff bill will be reported to the house some time in February. It will take a little time to determine how much time can be allowed for debate before amendments are introduced, and with that question settled the house can in all probability get well under way by March and have the tariff bill ready for the Senate to pass upon. It will, I think, reach the President some time in the spring."

President Malster of the Columbian iron works of Baltimore was in consultation with the officers of the Navy Department yesterday in relation to the first payment, which is now due, on gunboat No. 2. According to the terms of the contract a tenth payment of the total contract price must be made by the government when one-tenth of the construction work on the boat is finished, which is believed to be the case. The time, however, allowed by the contract for the completion of the vessel has expired, yet all of the frames of the vessel have not yet been placed, and the contracting firm is now, under the terms of the contract, suffering a penalty of $25 for each day's delay in completing the boot.

The formal decision of the interstate commerce commission as to whether the express companies are subject to the act to regulate commerce was announced to-day. The decision says that while there are many reasons why the act should control them, it is too indefinite in its language, and says that "upon all these considerations the commission has thought best to refer the subject to congress, as in any case of doubtful jurisdiction it is far better that the legislative body should resolve the doubt."

The Treasury Department has issued its annual statement as to the value of foreign coins in the denomination of United States currency. There is no change in the gold standard. The statement shows that silver has fallen in value 387-100 cent per fine ounce, and that foreign coins are thus reduced in value to that extent.

The president held a reception in the East Room of the White House yesterday afternoon and shook hands with over 300 persons, the majority of whom were school teachers from Brooklyn, N. Y., now on a visit to the capital. Among the President's visitors to-day were Gen. Sherman and Gen. Sheridan.

NOT WILLING TO BE STARVED.

A Preacher Terminates His Long Wait For a Salary Never Paid.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The Rev. J. H. Walker, the oldest Presbyterian preacher occupying a pulpit in Chicago, has been frozen out of his church and is now out of a situation. Had he not owned the little house he lives in he would have starved to death some time ago.

His church was the Campbell Park Presbyterian, which is situated near where the Third Presbyterian rears its lofty front at the corner of Ashland and Ogden avenues. It was in front of the latter church that young Lee shot his stepfather, Banker Rawson.

The Campbell Park congregation was formerly in comfortable circumstances, but of late the members, or at least those who were at all proud and wanted gorgeous surroundings, deserted and went to the Third and other wealthy churches.

For a long time Mr. Walker has waited for his salary, but it came not, and now he has announced that he cannot longer serve his people. He does not feel called upon to die as a martyr when he can go elsewhere and command a comfortable salary

Will Probably Shut Down

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—The outlook for a shut-down among the larger steel mills is now more probable. The new scale of the amalgamated Association of Iron and steel workers was received by the Pittsburg manufacturers on Tuesday. So far from containing an expected reduction it embodies a slight advance in every department. The manufacturers will ask a slight reduction, and if the amalgamated association will not consent, they will formulate a scale of their own, paste in the mills, and close down until the men see fit to work at that price.

Ship and Cattle Seized.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 29.—The ship Ida Wilson has been seized by Canadian customs officers opposite San Juan Island. Three hundred sheep and other stock were seized. It is said that smuggling has been systematically practiced in this locality.

Mrs. Vanderbilt's Rousing Dinner.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 29.—Mrs. Fred Vanderbilt of New York gave a dinner to the employes who are building her new house They got very drunk One man, McVeneil had to be arrested.

Death of Governor Marmaduke.

ST. LOUIS. Dec. 27.—John S. Marmaduke governor of Missouri, died yesterday morning at his residence in Jefferson City of pneumonia.

Judge Rapallo Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Judge Charles A Rapallo, of the court of appeals, died suddenly yesterday morning of heart disease

MEN ORDERED OUT AGAIN

THE READING EMPLOYES HAVE RENEWED THE STRIKE.

They Say They Will Fight to the Bitter End—The Situation at Reading—The Knights Greatly Excited.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—Yesterday afternoon the question whether the Port Richmond men would take up the gauntlet thrown down by the Reading railroad was settled, so far as seven of the fourteen engine crews were concered. They ran the engines on sidings and abandoned them there.

This is only the beginning of the trouble, and it is believed that by to-day all the men who went out on Thursday afternoon will again be on strike. The cause is the positive refusal of the company to arbitrate the grievances of the men.

The men went to work at the usual hour yesterday morning, but at the noon hour there were fire sarill whistles from one of the little engines at the coal wharves in Port Richmond, and the signal was repeated by seven more of the little "wharf rats." The engines were run to the round house and the crews went home. The strike had been ordered on again.

It was an hour later when the strikers' committee ordered out all the men, but then came the tug of war. Many of the men refused to go out, and the seven crews were the only ones that struck at that time. Later on hundreds of the men went out, and many more stayed at their posts of duty.

At 1 o'clock a large majority of the members of Local Assembly No. 6 assembled in their hall to talk the matter over. Although the hall is a large one, it was packed to repletion by as determined men as have ever combined in a cause which to them is almost a sacred one. They all looked very serious, and spoke freely as to how badly the company has treated them. "After they had expressed a willingness to return to work and had done so," a prominent member said: "Mr. Sweigard promised in the presence of seven men to reinstate all the men who should apply for work, and he also promised most faithfully that if the men would return to work all difficulties would be arbitrated.

"We know very well that the company thinks it can break up our order, but before many weeks we will teach them better. Unless I am very much mistaken the knights will be able to hold out as long as the road can. We are going to fight it out this time to the bitter end, and we have plenty of money to enable us to do so."

In all at Port Richmond 600 coal handlers and seven shifting crews went out. The result of the new strike can hardly be told to-day. Along the line of the road the men are firm in their determination to fight to the bitter end.

READING, Pa., Dec. 29.—There is great excitement here among the Knights of Labor and employes of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad company in regard to the sudden and unexpected change in the strik situation. Yesterday all were rejoicing that the strike had been ordered off, but late in the day great consternation arose when it became known that General Superintendent Sweigard emphatically denied that there had been an agreement to arbitrate. When General Manager McLeod's order followed, to the effect that none of the discharged men would be taken back, and that the new men must be protected at all hazards, it only added fuel to the flame, and in the language of the men, "made the situation worse."

The temporary master workman of the district assembly of the Reading railroad employes, P. W. Hawman, declared that there was a distinct understanding with Superintendent Sweigard that the men should return to work pending arbitration, and in making this statement he is corroborated by Milton J. Miller of this city, another member of the committee who called upon Mr. Sweigard and arranged the terms of settlement.

A PRISONER ROASTED ALIVE.

A Small Stack of Bones Found After the Burning of the Calaboose.

TOCCOA, Ga., Dec. 29.—Roland Taylor, a negro who has been working for Mr. W. Hayes for a long time, met a horrible death yesterday. He was taken by the marshal some time ago for some violation and locked up. He was released on bond, however, and given time to pay the fine which was imposed upon him by the mayor. He failed to come up at the proper time, and last night was arrested and confined in the calaboose.

At the time mentioned Nightwatchmen Carter and Purcell heard some one screaming at a terrible rate, and upon investigation found the calaboose on fire. They did all they could to save him, but failed, as the heavy doors were swelled and the man too far gone.

Mr. Carter says he is satisfied that the negro set it on fire to make his escape. In the morning there was nothing left to tell the tale but some ashes and a small stack of bones. The coroner has been notified and will hold an inquest.

They Liked the Crlaboose.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 22.—For some weeks past there has been a marvellous increase in the number of arrests in Springfield for petty offences against the city ordinances. It looked as if the bummer element of society held the berths in the calaboose at a premium rather than as a punishment. The police were at a loss to learn the cause until yesterday. It was discovered that the male prisoners had access to the female prison and that they had been holding nightly orgies together. The calaboose is an old and frail building, and the men who occupied a lower room without any ceiling had managed to break a hole in the floor above and thus obtained access to the women's quarters. The keeper has been sick for some time and had left his duties to be performed by a young son.

Constructing An Ice Palace.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 29.—The central tower of the ice palace is now raised from eighteen to twenty feet and each day the crystal walls grow. All around the site are scattered hundreds of tons of ice in blocks as taken from the lake. They are dragged to the tower, seized by a pair of nippers, and hauled up by a rope and pulleys, worked by horse power, to the top, where they are chopped to the desired form, and then, after being sprinkled slightly with water, are placed in position. At the present rate of progress the place will be in a fair way to completion in twenty days.

Unpleasant for Tramps.

WAYNESBORO, Pa., Dec. 29.—The common council of this place has adopted a method of abating the tramp nuisance that will doubtless be effectual. Every tramp who is found within the borough limits is to be arrested and fined $5. If he pays the fine he has the privilege of leaving the town within an hour. If found in the place at the end of an hour he will be rearrested and subjected to a similar fine, and so on *ad libitum*.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 23, 1887.

Adams, J H	Layton, Henry
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Clawson, Miss Mary R	O'Connell, Joe
Carman, Mrs Harry	Pound, Jackson B
Doty, James	Parks, Miss Kate
Donnie, Jas	Runyon, A S
Dody, Miss Arthur B	Rowland, Miss Addie
Fielding, Mrs Hewett	Sargent, H J
Green, Mrs Ella	Sayre, Mrs Julia
Harris, Mrs B S	Shieb, G W
Holmes, Miss Annie M	Scott, Miss B
Hallock, Mrs Geo	Smith, Miss Sallie
Hudnut, Jas	Smith, Mrs Jane
Johnson, Miss Laura	Tomson, Miss Delure
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Ka[illegible] Andrew	White, Miss Amy

Persons calling for above please say advertised.

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Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.

WANTED—HALF-GROWN GIRL, FOR Nurse Good wages. Apply Room 12, City Hotel.

FOR SALE—A CHUNKY BLACK HORSE. WILL sell cheap if sold this week. Address W. H., this office.

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WANTED—A GOOD BOY, ABOUT 16 YEARS old. Apply to Mr. Love, cor. North and Park avenues. 12-28-2

BRICK! BRICK!! BRICK!!!—The report having been circulated in Plainfield that there were no SOMERVILLE BRICK to be had, the public are hereby notified that we have a large stock of *first-class brick* on hand, which we are selling at the lowest market prices. ROSS' Brick-Yard, Somerville, N. J. 12-20-tf

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In which Play

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Will enact his great character of

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This part has been acted by Mr. Florence in England, Ireland and Scotland, as well as in the United States and Canada.

Seats on sale at J. G. Miller's and Field & Randolph's drug stores, Friday, Dec. 30. No advance in prices. Admission, 50 cents. 12-29-4t

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Having purchased the business of MR. JOHN SHROPPE at *No. 31 West Front St.*, I have entirely renovated the place and am now ready to supply the *Best Fruits* in the New York market, *Fresh Roasted Peanuts* every day, all kinds of *Nuts* and *Confectionery*. I buy the *BEST* of everything, and sell at *LIVING PRICES!*

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DESPERATE CONVICTS.

Two Murderous Assaults at the Elmira Reformatory.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 29.—It transpired last night that Charles Perry, a third grade convict in the Elmira reformatory, made an assault upon Keeper O. Haskins, at half-past five o'clock last Monday morning, with the intention of killing him and making his escape.

Perry had been chained to the post in the hall as a punishment. He slipped off the handcuffs, took from the leg of his pantaloons a heavy hammer he had the day before secured from the shop where he worked and struck Haskins on the head and the left ear, felling him to the ground. Haskins remained insensible fifteen minutes, but as the door keys were not in Haskins' pocket Perry was fooled in his attempt to escape. Haskins was seriously hurt, but will recover if blood poisoning does not set in.

One week ago yesterday Jones Fay, another reformatory convict, stabbed Ed. Pearshall, a fellow prisoner, with a steel priming rod or moulder's implement, in the eye, the rod coming out back of the ear. Fay is a hard case and is from New York city. It is feared Pearshall will die.

Death of Capt. S. J. Sluyter.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 29.—Captain Stephen G. Sluyter died last night. He was engaged for several years in preliminary soundings for the Atlantic cable and in command of the steamer Victoria laid the main cable in 1858. During the war he was in command of a gunboat, and at the time of the New York draft riots was anchored off Wall street to protect the United States sub-treasury. In early life he was associated in business in California with Hon. Stephen Field. For the past fifteen years Capt. Sluyter has lived in this city.

A Mysterious and Fatal Disease.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 29.—Mr. H. A. Savage of this city has lost two children within the past forty-eight hours from some strange disease. The youngest, two years of age, appeared slightly sick on Monday night, and before it was known that his illness was serious he died. Another boy, four years of age, was taken sick yesterday morning, and within a few hours he also died. Shortly before death ensued their bodies turned black. The best physicians have been unable to name the disease.

The Rev. Wm. McNichols to Apologize.

PEARSALL'S, L. I., Dec. 29.—The Rev. William McNichols, pastor of the Methodist church here, who was to have been arrested yesterday on a charge of sending a slanderous letter to Excise Commissioner Wright, in which Mr. Wright and his fellow commissioners were denounced as scoundrels because they granted a license, notwithstanding a protest from Mr. Nichols and others, has decided to apologize to the commissioners, and thus prevent a criminal prosecution.

A Bridegroom Kidnaped by Mistake.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Henry M. Hurd, who was kidnaped Tuesday night, and taken to an out of the way old building where he was left bound by his captors. Shortly afterward they returned and informed him they had made a mistake, and he was not the man for whom they were looking. The roughs then unbound their victim, blindfolded and led him into the streets and turned him loose. The wedding took place some hours later, according to the programme.

Bangor Will Sue a Steamship Company.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 2—Nearly sixty foreigners brough there from New York on the steamer Caroline Miller to work on the Megantic railroad, and who refused to work after their arrival, are being cared for by the city at the almshouse. They have no money to pay their fares and the steamboat company has refused to return them to New York at the request of the city authorities. Suit will be brought by the city against the steamship company for maintenance of the men.

St. John Begins His Western Crusade.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 29.—The convention of the prohibition party, just held in this city, was attended by prohibitionists from all parts of the state. It was decided to begin a vigorous campaign during the coming year and to put a full state ticket in the field. The principal addresses were made by ex-Governor John P. St. John and Mrs. Clara Hoffman, president of the Missouri Woman's Christien Temperance Union.

Swindling an Old Pensioner.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 29.—Adam Martin, of Liverpool, Perry county, has been arrested and held in $3,000 bail for defrauding an old soldier named Scyoc of $1,849 of $3,600 received by Scyoc on account of arrearages of pension. Martin represented himself as a lawyer and succeeded in getting the veteran's confidence.

Another Victim of the Cigarette.

TROY, Dec. 29.—Richard H. Barringer, of this city, was a constant cigarette smoker. An affection of the heart was followed by dropsy. Several physicians attended him and they all agreed that nicotine poisoning had so shattered his system that recovery was impossible.

Delegates of Leather Workers Meet.

BUFFALO, Dec. 29.—A number of leather workers' delegates from several states met here yesterday to organize an international union for the purpose of equalizing the wages of their craft, the protection of generous and the coercion by moral suasion of illiberal employes.

An Epidemic Visits Canada.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 29.—The typhoid and diphtheria epidemic is raging in this section, and many towns have been visited. Twenty per cent. of the deaths at Montreal last week resulted from those diseases. The hospitals are full to overflowing.

Trains Blocked by a Blizzard.

EMPORIA, Kan., Dec. 29.—A blizzard accompanied by heavy wind passed over this section yesterday. All trains are behind and will probably be completely blocked before morning.

Want a Navy on the Lakes.

BUFFALO, Dec. 29.—The Buffalo merchants' exchange yesterday adopted resolutions favoring a naval reserve on lakes, in accordance with the recent suggestion by the secretary of the navy.

Editor Littleton Dies of His Wounds.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 29.—Mr. John J. Littleton, editor of the *National Review*, who was shot by Joseph R. Banks, last Saturday, died yesterday.

Chicago Rejects the Gas Trust's Offer.

CHICAGO, Dec 29. The offer of settlement made by the gas trust was rejected by the common council last night.

RUSSIA WANTS PEACE.

HER AMBASSADOR SAYS HER POLICY IS FRIENDLY.

Italians Getting Ready—Dueling in Paris. The Crown Prince—Catholics and Orangemen Fighting.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—The *Post* publishes a telegram from Vienna saying that Prince Lobanoff, the Russian ambassador there, has assured Count Kalenky that Russia is pursuing a policy of peace, and that the concentration of Russian troops on the Galician frontier is not intended as an aggressive movement.

Count Schouvaloff, the Russian ambassador to Germany, had a short audience with Emperor William to-day. The emperor is enjoying vigorous health, and took a long walk yesterday afternoon.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.—The tension between Russia and Austria shows symptoms of relaxing. The *Grazhdanin* declares that an *entente* is possible even on the most difficult points in the Bulgarian dispute.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 29.—Herr von Radowitz, the German ambassador, has officially informed Kiamil Pasha, president of the council of ministers, that Germany will give Austria active military support if Russia should provoke a war with Austria.

TO HONOR DUC D'AUMALE.

Members of the French Institute to Present Him With a Medal.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The delegation of members of the French institute which started for Brussels to-day to present to the Duc d'Aumale the medal struck in commemoration of his gift of Chantilly to the people of France. On one side is the duke's profile and on the other a view of the castle and park of Chantilly. Three copies of the medal will be presented to the duke, of gold, silver and bronze respectively. The French institute will preserve the dies from which this memorial has been struck, and will present a copy of the medal to each student who obtains a scholarship derived from the Chantilly gift.

Captain Brewer, the American champion wing shot, has arrived in England, and has issued a challenge to all comers for a match for fifty or one hundred pounds a side.

Dueling in Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—M. Mayer, director of the *Gaulois*, has challenged M. de Woestyne, formerly the Paris correspondent of a New York newspaper, for articles published in the *Journal Parisien* and *Courier Francais*. A duel with swords will probably take place to-day. M. Garnier challenged M. Vervoot, editor of the *Evenement*, on account of a certain article published by the latter. M. Vervoort replied that when such dueling experts as M. Rochefort and M. Bertograivil refused to fight M. Garnier, he, Vervoot, could very well decline the challenge.

The Crown Prince.

SAN REMO, Dec. 29.—Dr Mackenzie says that for more than a month the Crown Prince Frederick William has been free from the unpleasant sensation in his throat which he first experienced last January. Dr. Mackenzie describes the Crown Prince as hopeful and cheerful. Drs. Mackenzie, Schrader, Hovell and Kraus, after an hour's consultation to-day agreed to despatch to Berlin a favorable bulletin concerning the Crown Prince. Dr. Mackenzie will return to San Remo from time to time.

Italians Getting Ready.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Advices from Massowah say that great activity prevails among the Italian troops here. Every preparation is being made to meet the advancing Abyssinian forces. It is reported that Ras Alula overrated the Italian movements in order to induce King John to advance. One column of Abyssinian troops, commanded by a son of the king, has arrived at Adowa. Another column, under Ras Mikuel, had reached Adigrat.

Catholics and Orangemen Fight.

DUBLIN, Dec. 29.—A desperate fight between Catholics and Orangemen occurred on Monday in the village of Killybearn, near Cookstown. Stones, bricks, revolvers, &c., were freely used. The house of a priest was completely wrecked and the windows of other houses were smashed. The orangemen were re-enforced, and the struggle was becoming serious when the police stopped the fight. Several persons were arrested.

The Emperor William Well.

BERLIN, Dec. 29—The emperor is enjoying his usual health. He attended a performance of opera and then devoted several hours to the transaction of public business. The rumors that he was dead excited surprise here.

A Theatre Burned Near London.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The Grand theatre at Islington was burned last evening. The properties belonging to the pantomine, "Whittington and His Cat" were destroyed.

Gladstone on His Way to Italy.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Mr. Gladstone embarked upon the Channel steamer at Folkstone on his way to France yesterday morning. He was cheered by the crowd which had gathered to see him off.

A New Governor-General for Canada.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The Manchester *Courier* says that Lord Stanley of Preston has accepted the governor-generalship of Canada.

A Defender of Mr. Lamar.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Mr. H. McArdle of Mississippi, publishes a card here, in which he states that a speech made at Aberdeen, Miss., in 1875, which has been attributed to Mr. Lamar, was made by him (McArdle). The letter adds that if the senate shall refuse to confirm Mr. Lamar, the south will be solid while the sky has a star or the ocean a tide.

A New Use for Natural Gas.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—Jacob Wainwright yesterday demonstrated that natural gas can be used in furnace cupolas for ordinary castings. Mr. Wainwright's furnace will be the means of dispensing with 90 per cent. of the coke now needed for ordinary furnaces.

The Suit is Postponed.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 29.—In the United States court yesterday afternoon the hearing of the suit against the Fidelity bank directors was postponed until after the hearing of the criminal cases.

Advance in Freight.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 29.—A 10 per cent. advance in freight rates of the fourth, fifth and sixth classes from this point east and west will go into effect January 2.

SENATOR BECK ON THE TARIFF.

He Thinks the Reduction Should Aggregate One Hundred Millions.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 29.—Senator Beck is in the city preparatory to attending the opening of the legislature, which will re-elect him. He was seen by a reporter, and when asked about the probable action of congress in regard to the tariff, replied:

"There will certainly be changes to reduce the heavy revenues now constantly adding to the surplus. I think the tobacco tax will be entirely removed and probably a provision made that the tax on whiskey shall be collected when it is withdrawn for consumption. I regard it as practically certain that the tobacco tax will be removed. The measure must organize in the house. I can't tell what Randall will do. The house democrats as yet have had no conference with the senators on the subject. I don't think anything can be determined till the ways and means committee is made up, for of course the men at the head of that committee will have charge of the tariff measure. Our committeemen, Senators Kenna, Hearst and Jones, are ready for a conference. I think there will be a reduction in the tariff schedule cutting off sixty to seventy and perhaps a hundred millions of revenue. It ought to be the latter figure. I think the reduction will be on iron, wool, sugar, lumber and various other articles. Tariff on some things will be greatly reduced and others will be placed upon the free list."

Coal Famine Along the Ohio.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Dec. 29.—The bad effects of the long drought are now being felt in a new form. The Ohio river is almost dry, and the question of fuel supply along its entire line is alarming the people. The railways are doing their best to better this condition of things, but will hardly be able to avert the danger. In Louisville numbers of factories are preparing to shut down. Some, indeed, have already done so, and if the river does not rise soon there will be something like a general suspension of industries about the falls of the Ohio. The Indiana mines are worked to their utmost capacity, but the coal is inferior and insufficient in quantity. For once the roads are doing a good thing. They refuse to allow dealers to raise prices on railroad coal.

Mr. Babcock Still Alive.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The dispatch received in this city from San Francisco stating that the inventor of the Babcock fire-extinguisher had died there in the almshouse proves to be false. The man who died in San Francisco was named M. D. Babcock, while the inventor of the extinguisher is Charles F. Babcock, who is not only alive, but is living in affluence in Boston. Babcock, the almshouse inmate, is said to be a crank, who has long been under the delusion that he is an inventor. Some months ago, through a credulous correspondent, he caused a report to be circulated that Mr. Charles F. Babcock, having lost his fortune, had become a public charge.

Chicago's Natural Gas.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The cold weather did not interfere with the natural gas exhibition at Cooke's brewery yesterday. The pumps which draw the gas from the lake jerked away at only half pressure, but the flame seemed stronger and more brilliant than at any time since the great find a week ago. That the inflammable substance which separates itself from the water and burns so freely is natural gas is now conceded by all who have investigated it.

Fall River Spinners Get an Advance.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 29.—The Stafford mill was obliged to close yesterday on account of the spinners' strike, but will start up again in the morning, as, through the efforts of secretary Howard, a promise was secured from the mill authorities that the pay of the spinners would be made equal to that in other mills, and on this promise the strikers have decided to go back to work to-day.

An Ex-Convict's Long Sentence.

BUFFALO, Dec. 29.—Charles Leavitt, a notorious burglar, has been sentenced to Auburn state's prison for ten years, the full extent of the law, on pleading guilty to grand larceny in the first degree. In 1874 he was arrested in Toronto for murder and sent to prison for life, but was pardoned after eight years on giving evidence against his accomplice, Charles Meeker.

Lake Michigan and the Mississippi.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—A meeting of the executive committee, appointed by the Illinois Improvement Convention in Peoria in October was held here yesterday afternoon to determine what action should be taken during the present session of congress to further the waterway connection between Lake Michigan, at Chicago, and the Mississippi river via the Illinois river.

A Norwalk Girl Missing.

SOUTH NORWALK, Dec. 28.—Eva Waterbury, a young and pretty daughter of Wm. Waterbury, disappeared suddenly on Tuesday last, and has not been seen since. Eva's mother is nearly crazed with grief at her daughter's rashness.

Absconded With Sunday School Funds.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Dec. 29.—Professor E. N. Hobbs, has fled from the city. He was president of the Methodist Sunday school and misapplied its funds.

Will Have Their Own Factories.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—The glass workers here who are now on strike, have decided to start several factories in the west to be run by themselves.

Sporting News.

There will be no clashing of dates during the meetings of the American and Brooklyn jockey clubs the coming spring, as the latter, being the younger organization, will give way and take some other dates for the two which interfered.

There is talk of Jack Dempsey going abroad to meet Toff Wall before the Pelican club in London. Such a meeting is improbable, as the police would not allow the fight to take place. Dempsey would be foolish to go to England and take chances with Wall there. In the first place, he is a square man and would not agree to any barney, and in the second place his reputation is far greater than Wall's. The proper thing would be to bring Wall here. There are plenty of places in this country where the men could meet without molestation and have it out to their heart's content. Dempsey should think twice before he permits himself to be led by the nose across the sea.

John L. Sullivan has trebled the success of any pugilist or pair of pugilists who ever toured it through the three kingdoms, and yet his agent only claims $18,000 as his net receipts for the time he has been exhibiting in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. The old country is evidently not the paradise of boxers, for on several occasions John's share of a night's work in this country has been nearly half of his whole earnings while abroad. No wonder the English champions want to stand well in this country, and no wonder that John L. would sooner be a lamp-post in Boston than Lord Mayor of London.

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Time Table in Effect December 8, 1887.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.35, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m. 12.[illegible], 1.21, 2.[illegible], 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.22, 6.05, 6.[illegible], 6.55, 7.[illegible], 8.[illegible], 9.[illegible], 11.2[illegible], p. m. Sunday—[illegible], 8.01, 8.57, 10.[illegible], 11.[illegible] a. m., 1.27, 3.[illegible], 5.[illegible], 7.[illegible], 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.[illegible], 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.[illegible], 2.15, [illegible], 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, [illegible], 5.15, 5.30, 5.[illegible], 6.00, 6.[illegible], 7.[illegible], 7.[illegible], 8.15, 9.30, 11.[illegible], 12.00 p. m. Sundays—4.00, [illegible], 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.[illegible], 4.00, [illegible], 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

[illegible] 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.[illegible], [illegible] a. m., 12.[illegible], [illegible] 11.32, a. m., [illegible] p. m.

Leave Newark—6.2[illegible], 7.05, 8.2[illegible], 9.[illegible], 10.[illegible], [illegible] 1.[illegible], 2.[illegible], 3.40, [illegible], 5.05, 5.[illegible], 7.10, [illegible], 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.[illegible], a. m., 12.2[illegible], 1.45, [illegible] p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.[illegible], 11.44, a. m., 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.[illegible], 8.0[illegible], 8.17, 9.2[illegible], 10.45, 12.44, p. m. Sunday—5.1[illegible], 10.11, a. m., 2.15, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.[illegible], 5.00, 5.[illegible], 8.15, 8.[illegible], 11.[illegible], p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.[illegible], 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6.02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m. 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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THOSE STOLEN BONDS.

The Saco Bank Officials Deny that They Are Hidden in Egypt.

SACO, Me., Dec. 29.—Harry A. McNeally, brother of Frank McNeally, the defaulting clerk of the Saco and Biddeford savings institution, returned on the late Pullman train last night from his second visit to his brother at Halifax. Although besieged since his arrival by reporters he divulges nothing, only reporting to the bank officials. They are reticent to a man and will give no information other than that Frank did not leave Halifax in company with his brother.

Treasurer Kelly ridicules and denies the idea that the stolen bonds are hidden in Cairo, Egypt, but their location is evidently unknown to any one excepting the embezzler. Mr. Kelly denies that any negotiating has been authorized by the bank with Frank McNeally for their return.

The report that the bonds were stolen on the spur of the moment is also denied by Treasurer Kelly, as only the president of the bank and himself had the combination of the lock, and he also thinks that there was no second party connected with the affair.

The letter given by Treasurer Kelly to McNeally's brother previous to his departure for Halifax, which was forcibly taken from him by officials at that place, was given by Treasurer Kelly on his own responsibility, unauthorized by the bank officials. It was written simply as a means of identification for Harry McNeally to use in Halifax.

County Attorney Horace H. Burbank says a capias was ordered by the court at its last session and if he does his duty McNeally will be arrested as soon as he makes his appearance in Saco.

McNeally still remains in Halifax and the report that he was on his way to Egypt to get the stolen bonds is without foundation.

Major Way's Plea.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Dec. 28.—Major Way yesterday afternoon withdrew his plea of not guilty and substituted one of non vult contendere. Sentence will be pronounced in one week. He was indicted by the grand jury for misappropriating the funds of the Co-operative Building Association, of which he was treasurer.

Ensign Edgar and Miss Emory to Wed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The engagement of Ensign Daniel Webster Edgar, of the navy, son of of Mme. Jerome Bonaparte, to Miss Victoria Emory, daughter of the late Gen. Emory, has been announced. The wedding takes place in the spring.

Drowned While Skating.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 29.—Benson Sewall, son of Professor Sewall of the theological seminary here, was drowned while skating on the Penobscot river yesterday.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

The fatal shooting of Mrs. Cassidy at Newburg has been decided by the coroner to have occurred by accident.

Burglars at Charleston, W. Va., Wednesday morning blew open the postoffice safe and escaped with $400 and stamps worth $1,800.

A safe in the store of H. B. Miller & Bro., at East Aurora, N. Y., was blown open Wednesday morning by burglars, who stole $1,800.

Daniel Stillwell, an old resident of South Pittsburg, Tenn., froze to death Tuesday night near his home during a blinding snow storm.

George Mann, a Toronto (Ont.) tea dealer, has failed for $60,000, with assets worth $40,000. New York and English tea houses are creditors.

Four persons were injured at a fire in Quebec, Wednesday, which destroyed St. Patrick's hotel. One of them, Matthew Gorman, is in a critical condition.

A strange disease resembling black tongue prevails among horses in Ulster county. Joseph Hutton, of Rondout, has just lost by it two horses worth $500.

Willard N. Mattoon, of Oswego, was held Wednesday at Buffalo to await the action of the grand jury in the United States district court on a charge of sending obscene matter through the mails.

James Watson, the mine boss shot by McDowell at Pittston, Pa., on Tuesday, is sinking rapidly and will soon die. His discharge of McDowell for drunkenness was the cause of the shooting.

Tom Sullivan, a tramp arrested at Binghamton, N. Y., Sunday, is charged with the murder of Farmer Paul Layton, in Dayden, N. Y., a week ago. He had $100 and two suits of clothes in his possession when arrested.

Weather Indications

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—For New England, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, fairer, colder weather, brisk winds, with a cold wave.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Money on call to-day, 4 per cent.

BONDS.

		Closing Yesterday.	Closing To-day.
4½s.	1891, reg	108⅝	108¾
4½s.	1891, coup	108⅝	108¾
4s.	1907, reg	127	126¾
4s.	1907, con	127½	127¾

STOCK MARKET.

Money on call opened at 4 per cent., but later in the forenoon was a trifle uneasy around 6.

CLOSING PRICES.

	Closing Yesterday.	Closing To-day.
Canadian Pacific	62	61¾
Chicago, Bur. & Q.	129¼	130
Central Pacific	33⅜	33
Del. & Hud.	103⅛	103
Del., Lack. & West.	130⅜	129¾
Erie	28⅝	28¼
Erie, pref.	64	64
Lake Shore	95¼	95⅛
Louis. & Nash.	61⅛	61
Michigan Central	94¼	89¾
Missouri Pacific	89	89¾
N. Y. & New Eng.	37¼	37
New Jersey Central	76¼	75
New York Central & Hud.	109¼	109
Northwestern	107½	107
Oregon Navigation	89½	90
Pacific Mail	36	35¼
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THE NATIVITY.

Dr. Talmage's Christmas Sermon at the Brooklyn Tabernacle.

Significance of the Night Scene in Bethlehem Nineteen Hundred Years Ago—How God Honored the Brute Creation, Childhood, Science and Motherhood by the Saviour's Birth.

Dr. Talmage took as the subject of his sermon Christmas morning: "The Barn and its Surroundings." His text was taken from Luke ii. 15: "The shepherds said one to another, let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass." Dr. Talmage said:

One thousand years of the world's existence rolled painfully and wearily along, and no Christ. Two thousand years, and no Christ. Three thousand years, and no Christ. Four thousand years, and no Christ. "Give us a Christ," had cried Assyrian, and Persian, and Chaldean, and Egyptian civilizations, but the lips of the earth and the lips of the sky made no answer. The world had already been affluent of genius. Among poets had appeared Homer, and Thespis, and Aristophanes, and Sophocles, and Euripides, and Alexis Æschylus, yet no Christ to be the most poetic figure of the centuries. Among historians had appeared Herodotus, and Xenophon, and Thucydides, but no Christ from whom all history was to date backward and forward—B. C. and A. D. Among conquerors, Camillus, and Manlius, and Regulus, and Xantippus, and Hannibal, and Scipio, and Pompey, and Cæsar, yet no Christ who was to be conqueror of earth and heaven. But the slow century and the slow year, and the slow month, and the slow hour at last arrived. The world had had matins or concerts in the morning and vespers or concerts in the evening, but now it is to have a concert at midnight. The black window shutters of a December night were thrown open, and some of the best singers of the world where they all sing stood there, and putting back the drapery of cloud chanted a peace anthem, until all the echoes of hill and valley applauded, and encored the hallelujah chorus.

At last the world has a Christ and just the Christ it needs. Come, let us go into that Christmas scene as though we had never before worshipped at the manger. Here is a Madonna worth looking at. I wonder not that the most frequent name in all lands and in all Christian centuries is Mary. And there are Marys in palaces and Marys in cabins, and though German and French and Italian and Spanish and English pronounce it differently, they are all namesakes of the one whom we find on a bed of straw with her pale face against the soft cheek of Christ in the night of the Nativity. All the great painters have tried on canvas to present Mary and her child and the incidents of that most famous night of the world's history. Raphael in three different masterpieces celebrated them. Tintoret and Guirlandjo surpassed themselves in the adoration of the Magi. Correggio needed to do nothing more than his Madonna to become immortal. The Madonna of the Lily, by Leonardo da Vinci, will kindle the admiration of all ages. Murillo never won greater triumph by his pencil than in his presentation of the Holy Family. But all the galleries of Dresden are forgotten when I think of the small room of that gallery containing the Sistine Madonna. Yet all of them were copies of St. Matthew's Madonna, and Luke's Madonna, the inspired Madonna of the Old Book, which we had put into our hands when we were infants, and that we hope to have under our heads when we die.

Behold in the first place, that on the first night of Christ's life God honored the brute creation. You cannot get into that Bethlehem barn without going past the camels, the mules, the dogs, the oxen. The brutes of that stable heard the first cry of the infant Lord. Some of the old painters represent the oxen and camels kneeling that night before the new-born babe. And well might they kneel. Have you ever thought that Christ came among other things to alleviate the sufferings of the brute creation? Was it not appropriate that he should, during the first few days and nights of his life on earth, be surrounded by the dumb beasts whose moan and plaint and bellowing have for ages been a prayer to God for the arresting of their tortures and the righting of their wrongs? It did not merely "happen so" that the unintelligent creatures of God should have been that night in close neighborhood. Not a kennel in all the centuries, not a bird's nest, not a worn out horse on tow-path, not a herd freezing in the poorly-built cowpen, not a freight train in summer time bringing the beeves to market without water through a thousand miles of agony, not a surgeon's room witnessing the struggles of fox, or rabbit, or pigeon, or dog in the horrors of vivisection, but has an interest in the fact that Christ was born in a stable surrounded by brutes. He remembers that night, and the prayer He heard in their pitiful moan He will answer in the punishment of those who maltreat the dumb brutes. They surely have as much right in this world as we have.

In the first chapter of Genesis you may see that they were placed on the earth before man was, the fish and fowl created the fifth day, and the quadruped the morning of the sixth day, and man not until the afternoon of that day. The whale, the eagle, the lion, and all the lesser creatures of their kind were predecessors of the human family. They have the world by right of possession. They have also paid rent for the places they occupied. What an army of defense all over the land are the faithful watch dogs. And who can tell what the world owes to horse, and camel, and ox, for transportation? And robin and lark have by the cartloads with which they have filled orchard and forest more than paid for the few grains they have picked up for their sustenance. When you abuse any creature of God you strike its creator, and you insult the Christ who, though he might have been welcomed into life by princes, and taken his first infantile slumber amid Tyrian plush and canopied couches, and rippling waters from royal aqueducts dripping into basins of ivory and pearl, chose to be born on the level with a cow's horn, or a camel's hoof, or a dog's nostril, that he might be the alleviation of brutal suffering as well as the redeemer of man.

Standing then as I imagine now I do, in that Bethlehem night with an infant Christ on the one side and the speechless creatures of God on the other, I cry, Look out how you strike the rowel into that horse's side. Take off that curbed bit from that bleeding mouth. Remove that saddle from that raw back. Shoot not for fun that bird that is too small for food. Forget not to put water into the cage of that canary. Throw out some crumbs to those birds caught too far north in winter's inclemency. Arrest that man who is making that one horse draw a load heavy enough for three. Rush in upon that scene where boys are torturing a cat, or transfixing butterfly and grasshopper. Drive not off that old robin, for her nest is a mother's cradle and under her wing there may be three or four prima donnas of the sky in training. And in your families and in your schools teach the coming generation more mercy than the present generation has ever shown and in this marvelous Bible picture of the Nativity, while you point out to them the angel, show them also the camel, and while they hear the celestial chant, let them also hear the cow's moan. No more did Christ show interest in the botanical world when He said, "Consider the lilies," than he showed sympathy for the ornithological when He said, "Behold the fowls of the air," and the quadrupedal world when He allowed himself to be called in one place a lion and in another place a lamb. Meanwhile, may the Christ of the Bethlehem cattle pen have mercy on the suffering stock yards that are preparing diseased and fevered meat for our American households.

Behold also in this Bible scene how on that Christmas night God honored childhood. Christ might have made his first visit to our world in a cloud, as he will descend on his next visit in a cloud. In what a chariot of illuminated vapor he might have rolled down the sky escorted by mounted cavalry with lightning and drawn sword. Elijah had a carriage of fire to take him up, why not Jesus a carriage of fire to fetch him down? Or, over the arched bridge of a rainbow the Lord might have descended. Or Christ might have had his mortality built up on earth out of the dust of a garden, as was Adam. In full manhood at the start without the introductory feebleness of infancy. No, no! Childhood was to be honored by that advent. He must have a child's light limbs, and a child's dimpled hands, and a child's beaming eye, and a child's flaxen hair, and babyhood was to be honored for all time to come, and a cradle was to mean more than a grave. Mighty God! May the reflection of that one child's face be seen in all infantile faces. Enough have all those fathers and mothers on hand if they have a child in the house. A throne, a crown, a scepter, a kingdom under charge. Be careful how you strike him across the head, jarring the brain. What you say to him will be centennial and millennial, and a hundred years and a thousand years will not stop the echo and re-echo. Do not say it is only a child." Rather say, "It is only an immortal." It is only a masterpiece of Jehovah. It is only a being that shall outlive sun and moon and star, and ages quadrillennial. God has infinite resources and he can give presents of great value, but when he wants to give the richest possible gift to a household he looks around all the worlds and all the universe and then gives a child. The greatest present that God ever gave our world he gave about 1887 years ago, and he gave it on a Christmas night, and it was of such value that heaven adjourned for a recess and came down and broke through the clouds to look at it. Yea, in all ages God has honored childhood. He makes almost every picture a failure unless there be a child either playing on the floor, or looking through the window, or seated on the lap gazing into the face of the mother. It was a child in Naaman's kitchen that told the great Syrian warrior where he might go and get cured of the leprosy, which at his seventh plunge in the Jordan was left at the bottom of the river. It was to the cradle of leaves in which a child was laid, rocked by the Nile, that God called the attention of history. It was a sick child that evoked Christ's curative sympathies. It was a child that Christ set in the midst of the squabbling disciples to teach the lesson of humility. We are informed that wolf and leopard and lion shall be yet so domesticated that a little child shall lead them. A child decided Waterloo, showing the army of Blucher how they could take a short cut through the fields when, if the old road had been followed, the Prussian General would have come up too late to save the destinies of Europe. It was a child that decided Gettysburg, he having overheard two Confederate Generals in a conversation in which they decided to march for Gettysburg instead of Harrisburg, and this, reported to Governor Curtin, the Federal forces started to meet their opponents at Gettysburg. And the child of to-day is to decide all the great battles, make all the laws, settle all the destinies and usher in the world's salvation or destruction. Men, women, nations, all earth, and all heaven, behold the child! Is there any velvet so soft as a child's cheek? Is there any sky so blue as a child's eye? Is there any music so sweet as a child's voice? Is there any plume so wavy as a child's hair?

Notice also that in this Bible night scene God honored science. Who are the three wise men kneeling before the divine infant? Not boors, not ignoramuses, but Casper, Belthasar and Melchoir, men who knew all that was to be known. They were the Isaac Newtons and Herschels and Faradays of their time. Their alchemy was the forerunner of our sublime chemistry, their astrology the mother of our magnificent astronomy. They had studied stars, studied metals, studied physiology, studied everything. And when I see these scientists bowing before the beautiful babe I see the prophecy of the time when all the telescopes and microscopes, and all the Leyden jars, and all the eleteric batteries, and all the observatories, and all the universities shall bow to Jesus. It is much that way already. Where is the college that does not have morning prayers, thus bowing at the manger! Who have been the greatest physicians? Omitting the names of the living, lest we should be invidious, have we not had among them Christian men like our own Joseph C. Hutchinson, and Rush, and Valentine Mott, and Abercrombie, and Abernethy?

WHO HAVE BEEN OUR GREATEST SCIENTISTS? Joseph Henry, who lived and died in the faith of the gospel, and Agassiz who, standing with his students among the hills, took off his hat and said: "Young gentlemen, before we study these rocks let us pray for wisdom to the God who made the rocks." To-day the greatest doctors and lawyers of Brooklyn and New York, and of all this land, and of all lands, revere the Christian religion, and are not ashamed to say so before juries and legislatures and senates. All geology will yet bow before the Rock of Ages. All botany will yet worship the Rose of Sharon. All astronomy will yet recognize the Star of Bethlehem. And physiology and anatomy will join hands and say, we must by the help of God get the human race up to the perfect nerve, and perfect muscle, and perfect brain, and perfect form of that perfect child before whom nigh twenty hundred years ago Casper, and Belthasar, and Melchoir bent their tired knees in worship.

Behold also in that first Christmas night that God honored the fields. Come in, shepherd boys, to Bethlehem and see the child. "No," they say; "we are not dressed good enough to come in." "Yes, you are, come in." Sure enough, the storms, and the night dew, and the brambles have made rough work with their apparel, but none have a better right to come in. They were the first to hear the music of that Christmas night. The first announcement of a Saviour's birth was made to those men in the fields. There were wiseacres that night in Bethlehem and Jerusalem snoring in deep sleep, and there were salaried officers of government who hearing of it afterward may have thought they ought to have had the first news of such a great event, some one dismounting from a swift camel at their door and knocking till at some sentinel's question, "Who comes there?" the great ones of the palace might have been told of the celestial arrival.

No; the shepherds heard the first two bars of the music, the first in the major key and the last in the subdued minor: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men." Ah, yes: the fields were honored. The old shepherds with plaid and crook have for the most part vanished, but we have grazing—on our United States pasture fields and prairie about forty-five million sheep—and all their keepers ought to follow the shepherds of my text, and all those who toil in fields, all wine-dressers, all orchardists, all husbandmen. Not only that Christmas night, but all up and down the world's history God has been honoring the fields. Nearly all the messiahs of reform, and literature, and eloquence, and law, and benevolence, have come from the fields. Washington from the fields. Jefferson from the fields. The Presidential martyrs, Garfield and Lincoln, from the fields. Henry Clay from the fields. Daniel Webster from the fields. Martin Luther from the fields, and before this world is right the overflowing populations of our crowded cities will have to take to the fields. Instead of ten merchants in rivalry as to who shall sell that one apple, we want at least eight of them to go out and raise apples. Instead of ten merchants desiring to sell that one barrel of wheat, we want at least eight of them to go out and raise wheat. The world wants now more hard hands, more bronzed cheeks, more muscular arms. To the fields! God honored them when he woke up the shepherds by the midnight anthem, and he will, while the world lasts, continue to honor the fields. When the shepherd's crook was that famous night stood against the wall of the Bethlehem kahn it was a prophecy of the time when thresher's flail, and farmer's plow, and woodman's ax, and ox's yoke, and sheaf-binder's rake shall surrender to the God who made the country as man made the town.

Behold also that on that Christmas night God honored motherhood. Two angels on their wings might have brought the infant Saviour to Bethlehem without Mary's being there at all. When the villagers, on the morning of December 26, awoke, by divine arrangement and in some unexplained way, the child Jesus might have been found in some comfortable cradle of the village. But no, no! Motherhood for all time was to be consecrated, and one of the tenderest relations was to be the maternal relation, and one of the sweetest words "mother." In all ages God has honored good motherhood. John Wesley had a good mother, St. Bernard had a good mother, Samuel Budgett a good mother, Doddridge a good mother, Walter Scott a good mother, Benjamin West a good mother. In a great audience, most of whom were Christians, I asked that all those who had been blessed of Christian mothers arise, and almost the entire assembly stood up. Don't you see how important it is that all motherhood be consecrated? Why did Titian, the Italian artist, when he sketched the Madonna make it an Italian face? Why did Rubens, the German artist in his Madonna make it a German face? Why did Joshua Reynolds, the English artist, in his Madonna make it an English face? Why did Murillo, the Spanish artist, in his Madonna make it a Spanish face? I never heard, but I think they took their own mothers as the type of Mary, the mother of Christ. When you hear some one in sermon or oration speak in the abstract of a good, faithful, honest mother, your eyes fill up with tears while you say to yourself, that was my mother. The first word a child utters is apt to be "Mother," and the old man in his dying dream calls "Mother, mother!" It matters not whether she was brought up in the surroundings of a city, and in affluent home, and was dressed appropriately with reference to the demands of modern life, or whether she wore the old-time cap and great round spectacles and apron of her own make and knit your socks with her own needles seated by the broad fireplace, with great backlog ablaze on a winter night. It matters not how many wrinkles crossed and recrossed her face, or how much her shoulders stooped with the burdens of a long life, if you painted a Madonna hers would be the face. What a gentle hand she had when we were sick, and what a voice to soothe pain, and was there any one who could so fill up a room with peace, and purity, and light! And what a sad day that was when we came home and she could greet us not, for her lips were forever still. Come back, mother, this Christmas day, and take your old place, and as ten, or twenty, or fifty years ago, come and open the old Bible you used to read, and kneel in the same place where you used to pray, and look upon us as of old when you wished us a Merry Christmas or a Happy New Year. But, no! That would not be fair to call you back. You had troubles enough, and aches enough, and bereavements enough while you were here. Tarry by the throne, mother, till we join you there, your prayers all answered, and in the eternal homestead of our God we shall again keep Christmas jubilee together. But speak from your thrones, all you glorified mothers, and say to all these, your sons and daughters, words of love, words of warning, words of cheer. They need your voice, for they have traveled far and with many a heart-break since you left them, and you do well to call from the heights of heaven to the valleys of earth. Hail, enthroned ancestry! We are coming. Keep a place for us right beside you at the banquet.

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BY THE WAY.

—After last night's entertainment at the Trinity Reformed church, Superintendent Anthony will carry a gun.

—We presume the Plainfield firebugs, who are now serving out their terms in State Prison, relished their Christmas dinner.

—To-morrow afternoon and evening The Crescent will be opened for skating. Also on the afternoon and evening of Monday next.

—This evening the city fathers will hold their final meeting for the year. About the only business, however, to be transacted is the payment of bills, etc.

—The installation of the newly-elected officers of Unity Lodge, No. 102, K. of P., will take place on Wednesday next. The third degree will also be worked at that time.

—Another day and night of the extreme cold weather such as we have experienced for the past twenty-four hours, will put the ice crop in a condition fit for harvesting.

—The Board of Health held another conference last evening in pursuance of further preparatory steps towards the adoption of plans for the organized work of the new year.

—The scholars of the Church of the Heavenly Rest held their Christmas festival at the rector's house on Park avenue, last evening. An interesting programme of music, recitations, etc., was rendered.

—We have not as yet heard of the electric-light company removing any of the poles and wires from North Plainfield. The twenty day's limitation will soon expire, and some interesting developments are looked for.

—The young men of the city are cordially invited to visit the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. on Monday, Jan. 2, between the hours of two and ten p. m. The Reception Committee aided by a committee of ladies will do the honors upon the occasion. Entertainment and refreshments will be provided, and it is hoped that the day may prove to many young men an enjoyable opening of the New Year.

—The report published in certain newspapers that the firemen of this State would ask the next Legislature to pass a bill exempting those who have served seven years, from the payment of taxes on $1,500 of property, proves to be without foundation in fact. All the firemen will ask is the adoption of a measure that will put them on an equal footing with the National Guard of the State.

The Saengerbund Hop.

The Christmas sociable and hop of the Plainfield Gesang and Turn Verein last evening was well attended. Previous to the hop a Christmas tree was lighted for the entertainment of the children, and a number of handsome and costly articles, all donated, were disposed of by chance. Prof. Edw. Hasselman, the musical director of the Society, was presented with four beautiful pictures representing the four scenes in the farce entitled "The Coo Coo," as performed by Messrs. Maas, Dresselt and Kersting, at an entertainment in Caspar's Hall on the evening of October 31. The pictures were donated by E. Marx, the photographer. A handsome christmas cake, donated by Liefke, the baker, was awarded to Chris. Nelson, and George Laible, the dwarf, strutted around like a bantam rooster, with a large doll baby under his arm. Other gifts were awarded, which for want of space we are unable to enumerate. Suffice it to say that the articles disposed of were such as are seldom seen at an entertainment of a similar nature. The children were not forgotten, for the large tree was stripped of its Christmas attire and distributed among the little ones. A hop followed, and for several hours afterward the floor was alive with merry waltzers. Prof. Frazee furnished the music.

"RAH!"

First Annual Banquet of the Plainfield Yale Club.

Last evening at nine o'clock the members of the Yale Club of this city sat down to their first banquet, which was served in the parlors of the Park House by Mazetti, of New York. The following gentlemen were present: Rev. W. R. Richards, Mr. Samuel Huntington, Mr. S. St. John McCutchen, Mr. John Leal, Rev. C. L. Goodrich, Mr. Pliny Fisk, (Princeton), Mr. Rush Rhees, (Amherst), Mr. Will Murray, Mr. J. F. Raymond, Mr. James R. Joy, Mr. G. E. Vincent, Mr. C. L. Hyde, Mr. L. K. Hyde, Mr. Howard Tracy, and three undergraduates—Mr. Percy Stewart and Evarts Tracy, '90, and Mr. Frank Hyde, '91.

The *menus* were tastefully printed and consisted of two cards and a toast ribbon fastened with a knot of blue. On the back of each *menu* was a handsome cut of the champion Yale crew of 1886. After coffee was served, the pleasant informal chat of the dinner table gave place to the set toasts of the evening. Mr. McCutchen as toastmaster was very felicitous in his introductions, and Mr. Chas. Hyde started frequent choruses in which all joined so heartily that the hotel guests lay awake to listen. The toast ribbon read as follows:

POSTPRANDIUM.

SAMUEL ST. J. MCCUTCHEN, Toast-Master.

Yale University.....REV. W. R. RICHARDS, '75.
"Until the sands of life shall fail
We'll love and reverence mother Yale."

The Plainfield Yale Club.....J. R. JOY, '85.
"*Amici usque ad Aras.*"
"*Fruges consumere nati.*"

The College of N. J.—Princeton.....PLINY FISK.
"To Princeton's sands the far reflections steal.
Where mighty Edwards stamped his iron heel."
—*Dr. O. W. Holmes.*

The Faculty.....SAMUEL HUNTINGTON, '63.
Fas est et ab hoste doceri.—Ovid. Met. Lib. IV, 428.

Athletics.....PERCY STEWART, '90.
"Harvard may be more clever,
Princeton may make more row,
But we pull together steady,
Steady from stroke to bow."
—*Boating Song.*

Amherst College.....RUSH RHEES.
"To Amherst's fair town I've been many a time,
And what I saw there I will tell you in rhyme."

The responses were unusually happy and evoked rounds of applause and frequent and hearty cheers. The older alumni rendered the antiquated Yale hurrah, while the modern youths responded with the famous "nine 'rahs" which have cheered many a Yale team on to victory. Mr. Fisk, who represented Princeton, was accorded a warm reception, and Mr. Rhees, of Amherst, was most cordially greeted.

The dinner was a marked success, and the pleasant party broke up resolved that the Yale Club should be perpetuated, and that the Yale spirit which binds her sons together all over this broad land, should not languish in Plainfield.

A Clergyman on Amusements.

Although divers Christmas festivals and other entertainments called the public in many directions last evening, there was quite a large audience present at Reform Hall to hear the Rev. W. R. Richards lecture on "Amusements." The Rev. W. E. Honeyman, chaplain of the Reform Club, was confined to his house; so the speaker was introduced by President John H. French, after the Rev. Mr. Schenck had opened the meeting with prayer.

Starting with the familiar adage "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," the lecturer followed Jack step by step from boyhood upward, claiming that to make him a full rounded man recreation of a healthful nature was needed, and after warning against evil resorts and pleasures, Mr. Richards endorsed athletic sports, music and literature even if taken only as a means of amusement, enjoyment or pastime. He spoke of The Crescent building and favored its purchase by some person or persons wealthy and philanthropic enough to make of it a gymnasium. He also referred with sincere regard to the great work—and the grand nature of the work—that was accomplished by the Chautauqua. The whole discourse evinced deep thought, scholarly utterance, and above all that quality of righteousness possessed by so few clergymen—toleration of human nature.

We Wonder How They'd Taste.

"Hawkins" has been in town for a few days and nights past and all the symptoms of a closed Winter are about us, yet in the window of a Park avenue jeweler hangs a little branch on which has grown and ripened twenty-one Florida oranges. The cluster gives a midsummer tinge to all surroundings, and the crowds that gather and gaze seem to absorb much warmth of atmosphere from the contemplation.

—The election of a Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic in New Jersey, which will take place soon, has created great interest in Grand Army circles throughout the State. The present Commander is John L. Wheeler of Red Bank.

More Christmas Celebrations.

The extreme cold weather of last evening did not deter the scholars and friends of the Trinity Reformed Sunday school from attending the annual Christmas festival, held in the lecture room of the church. The spacious room was found to be inadequate to seat all who sought admission, and camp chairs were brought into requisition. Still there were people who remained standing throughout the exercises. The room was neatly festooned and trimmed, the work being accomplished by the committee having the entertainment in charge. Superintendent E. E. Anthony, in his usual efficient manner, presided, with Miss Lizzie Brooks as accompanist. The exercises opened with an anthem by the school, "Christmas Greeting," and proceeded in the following order:

Prayer.....By Pastor
Recitation—"Christmas".....Lilly Glen
Recitation—"Mamma's Darling"—Gertie Tier
Song......"My Moustache is Growing"
Herbert Peck, Frank Newman, Ernest Walz, C. G. Bristol, Fred. W. Walz, Howard Beebe.
Recitation—"Santa Claus' Stockings"
—Robbie Turrill
Song—"Experience of a Sunday school scholar"
Herbert Peck
Singing—"Christmas Angels".....By School
College Song—"Eli," Yale.".....C. G. Bristol
Address.....By Pastor

The recitation by Miss Gertie Tier, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. John H. Tier, Jr., is particularly deserving of credit, and round after round of applause greeted the little one at its conclusion. She responded to an encore.

I'm my mamma's little darling,
Don't you think I'm clean and sweet,
With the roses on my shoulder,
And my little dress so neat?
Mamma made it just on purpose
Because I'm going to speak to you,
Don't you wish you had one like it?
I'll *bet* you do!

Mr. Herbert Peck was also encored, and reponded with a song entitled "McIlroy," Messrs. Walz, Newman, Bristol and Beebe joining in the chorus. At the close of the exercises refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served in abundance, and each of the girls in the primary department received a box containing a wash tub, clothes horse and rubbing board. Each of the boys in the primary department was presented with a box of nine pins, and the older boys received a penknife. All of the teachers and scholars were presented with a box of choice candy. Much credit is due to Messrs. Frank Newman, Herbert Peck, Ernest Walz, C. G. Bristol, W. Walz and Howard Beebe for lending their assistance toward making the entertainment pass so pleasantly.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST.

The Sabbath school of Mt. Olive Baptist church held its Christmas exercises in the church last evening. Mr. S. B. Joseph, the Superintendent, presided. The exercises were of a interesting nature and included singing by the school, a recitation by Miss Mitchell, and one entitled "The Babe of Bethlehem," by fifteen of the scholars. A recitation was also delivered by Walter Boyer and an address was made by Rev. Dr. Yerkes. The Superintendent, on behalf of the members of the church, presented the pastor with a handsome lamp and Mr. Will F. Williams, the Secretary, was the recipient of a beautiful Bible. The scholars of the infant class each received doll babies, while the older members of the school were presented with books. Adjournment was made to the basement where candy and cream were served.

WARREN MISSION.

In the afternoon the primary scholars and most of the intermediate classes of the main school, met at 2:30. The programme consisted of singing and a cantata which proved very interesting throughout. Refreshments were served and a box of candy and a book was given to each of the primary class, when they all went home rejoicing. In the evening the older scholars held their anniversary in the chapel. Councilman Dunham presided and led the singing. An orchestra composed of the following persons furnished one music: DeWitt Frazee, cornet; C. P. Wheeler, violin; C. C. Van Doren, violincello; Charles D. Wheeler, organist. The exercises opened with a hymn, followed by the singing of carols, and prayer by Mr. F. H. Gardner. Then followed in rapid succession a dialogue, duetts, recitations and singing until a programme numbering nineteen pieces was fulfilled. The Franklin Quartette rendered several excellent selections during the evening, and a song entitled "Good Night," by little girls dressed in their bed-chamber costumes, each holding a candle, was heartily applauded. Before the close of the programme Santa Claus made his appearance for the amusement of the children. Mr. Geo. Belcher received a handsome present from his class. The Berean Class, through Mr. Dunham, presented Mr. F. H. Gardner, the teacher, with a beautiful Bible and stand. The general fund of the chapel was also enriched by a Christmas gift of $18 from the Berean Class. Mrs. F. H. Gardner was the recipient of a beautiful Bible from her class. Coffee, cake and cream completed the evening's entertainment. The Committee of arrangements included the following: Mrs. F. H. Gardner, Miss Emma Gillies and Miss Martin, to whom is largely due the success of the affair.

NORTH PLAINFIELD REPUBLICANS ORGANIZE.

The Club Christened the "U. S. Grant Republican Club of North Plainfield"—Officers Elected.

Pursuant to adjournment the Republican voters of North Plainfield Township met in Spencer's Hall last evening for the purpose of perfecting a permanent organization. Hon. Charles Place called the meeting to order and Mr. H. N. Spencer was elected secretary pro tem. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, after which Mr. Alex. Milne acting as Chairman of the Committee on Organization, submitted a constitution and by-laws to govern the club. The document was a lengthy one, and stated that the club should be known as the "North Plainfield Republican Club," the object being to advance the interests of the Republican party. It provides for the election of officers, etc., naming fifteen members as the number which shall constitute a quorum. When this portion of the paper was read, a ripple of laughter spread through the room, and several persons began to count their digits. It was found that a quorum minus one was present, but later on the attendance increased until the room was comfortably filled. Some discussion followed on the matter of selecting a suitable name for the club, and at Mr. H. E. Needham's suggestion the new club was christened the "U. S. Grant Republican Club of North Plainfield." The constitution was altered so as to conform with the foregoing name and amended by Mr. W. F. Williams in effect that by a majority vote of the members voting, amendments to the constitution and by-laws could be offered at any regular meetihg of the club the same to be acted upon at the following meeting, regular or special. It was then adopted, without a dissenting vote. The Chair called for a report from the Committee on Permanent Organization, and Mayor Justus H. Cooley submitted the following nominations as officers of the club:

President—Alex. Milne.
First Vice President—Henry McGee.
Second Vice President—Chas. A. Reed.
Recording Secretary—Wm. D. Craig.
Corresponding Secretary—H. J. Martin.
Treasurer—W. F. Williams.

Executive Committee—I. Brokaw, P. A. Emmons, N. Smalley, H. N. Spencer, W. C. Smith, John Goodwin, J. H. Cooley.

Finance Committee—Chas. Place, E. H. Spooner, Geo. F. Brown, C. E. Horn, H. E. Needham, J. K. Arnold, Walter McGee.

All of the above officers were unanimously elected, the Secretary being instructed to cast the ballot. Messrs. Brokaw and Snediker were appointed by the chair as a committee to wait upon Mr. Milne and bring him to the chair.

Mr. Milne, upon taking the chair thanked the club for the honor conferred upon him. He said he thought if the club had looked further, better timber could have been found for the chair. He pledged himself to the support of the Republican party, and particularly to the support of the club. Mr. Milne said he was cognizant of the fact that a large amount of work was to be done and he hoped that each member of the club would resolve himself into a committee of one and wait upon all Republicans in the township, and bring them into the Club, so that when admission into the State League was applied for the North Plainfield Club could go four or five hundred strong.

Mr. Williams, the newly elected Treasurer made a few remarks. The Secretary was instructed to notify all officers of their election, and the Executive Committee was instructed to confer with Mr. Spencer with reference to leasing the upper portion of his building for a meeting room, said Committee to report at the next meeting. On motion of Mr. Whitely the second Thursday in each month was decided upon as the regular meeting night. The matter of raising money by subscription for rent of room, etc., was discussed at length and finally laid over for the present. Messrs. Chas. Place and Isaac Brokaw and the President each spoke of the enthusiasm that prevailed at the recent National Convention of Republican Clubs in New York city, after which the meeting adjourned.

The Toboggan Carnival.

At the slide on East Front street, this evening, will occur the first grand tobogganing carnival ever held in this city. The company owning and operating the slide has remodeled and made it complete in all its appointments. Appreciating the fact that Plainfielders as a rule take to this most exhilarating and fascinating of all Winter amusements, the management has arranged for a fancy dress carnival to take place this evening, and has spared neither time nor expense to make the affair a success. The grounds will be handsomely illuminated and appropriate music will be in attendance. The carnival will begin at 8 p. m.

—Skating at The Crescent to-morrow afternoon and evening.

The Bethel Mission Festival.

The Christmas festival of the Bethel Mission, at its Chapel, last evening, was as successful an entertainment as its late concert—which is saying a great deal. A large attendance was present, and among the guests of the occasion were the members of the Crescent Avenue choir who sang a number of glees during the evening. In the absence of Miss Kimball, the accompaniments for the entire musical programme were played by Miss Utter. The Mission's part of the entertainment began with a "Sunflower Chorus" by Miss Chamberlin's class of thirteen girls. They sang "Peek-a-boo," concealed behind a curtain on which was painted mammoth sun-flowers. The centre of each flower, however, was the face of a singer. The effect was very enjoyable, and the singing too. The whole was the result of Miss Chamberlin's own efforts, and much to her credit. Mrs. Dunham and Miss Alice Wood favored the audience with sweetly sung solos, with choruses by the scholars. By special request, the chorus that was sung by the soloists at the close of the recent concert, was again given, and Mr. Charles Mann once more entreated his hearers to "Take Back the Heart that They Gavest."

The donkey was retailed with the usual difference of opinion and location that is a part of such ceremony, and the amusement afforded by the variety of spots fixed upon as the place where his tail ought to grow, was at times as maddening in its intensity as during the dark ages of the past when this same donkey was young and, to that extent, charming. Mr. Oscar Saunders secured the first prize as being the "nearest comer," and Mr. Peter Gordon was awarded a trophy for being the "furthest off."

During the programme, iced cream in measureless quantities was served with cake to everybody, and at the close of the evening a barrel of candy and an orange was given each scholar of the Mission.

The Berean Class Entertainment.

The Plainfield Berean Class held their Christmas festival last evening, and a good time was enjoyed by all who were there. The entertainment commenced at eight o'clock by singing from the Gospel Hymns, followed by this programme:

Recitation—"The Mule".....Robt. Mattox.
Recitation—"Bowl of Starch".....W. R. Mattox.
Reading—"Mother-in-law".....Mrs. O. Moore.
Recitations—"Water Melon".....Mrs. M. T. Hayward of Newark.
Encore—"Hodge and the Vicar".Mrs. Hayward.
Humorous Remarks.....Rev. J. B. Cleaver.
Reading—"Widow O'Shane".....Mrs. O. Moore.
Song—"Wandering Boy".....Elias Southard.

During the singing, Cousin Fritz and Aunt Katherina from Germany entered and were well entertained, but owing to the lateness of the hour and wanting to catch the train, they soon retired and the programme continued:

Recitation—"Scott and the Veteran".....W. R. Mattox.
Recitation—"She wanted to be a Mason".....Mrs. M. T. Hayward.

After all this the entertainment closed by serving cream and cake. The Hall was very handsomely decorated by the members. The Committee of Arrangements consisted of Miss Lizzie Stewart, Mrs. A. B. Warner, Mrs. A. E. Bushnell, Mrs. C. Gaskle, Mrs. Geo. Allen, Mrs. J. H. Staats and Mrs. Smith, and Messrs. A. E. Bushnell, Geo. Allen and J. H. Staats. Thanks are tendered to Mr. A. E. Bushnell for the donation of cream, and to all the ladies who furnished cake. A feature of the evening was the bonnet worn by the aunt from Germany, said to be 150 years old—the hat, not the aunt.

Chess Players, Attention

TO THE EDITOR OF THE DAILY PRESS:—Plainfield used to have a Chess Club which had the reputation of being the strongest in the State. For some reason or other it has fallen into "innocuous desuetude." Can there not be something done to revive the interest? There are quite a goodly number of strong players left of the old Club, and I presume there are many more young men who did not belong to it who are players perhaps well able to hold their own with the veterans who made their prowess felt when called upon to engage in the peaceful strife with players of other towns. The time for the annual tournament of the New Jersey Chess Association, (Feb. 22, next, at Rutherford), is approaching, and it would be well for our Plainfield players to bestir themselves and not suffer the trophy to go as heretofore, to South Jersey. A reorganized Club and good, hard practice in the interval, would show good results. Ask the Secretary of the old Club to issue a call for a meeting at some convenient place, and extend a general invitation to all chess players in the city to meet for conference on the subject, and see what will be the result.

KING'S BISHOP'S 1ST.

Plainfield Chessmen Should Move.

A correspondent in another column calls upon the Chess Club and the unattached chess players of Plainfield, to gather in battle array and make some effort to prevent the State trophy from going to that *bete noir* of all true sportsmen—South Jersey.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

A FREIGHT TIE-UP ORDERED.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30—After a very stormy session, the Reading Railroad employes' convention adjourned at four o'clock this morning, and the order will go forth for a strike of all employes of the Reading Railroad on the whole system from Elizabethport, N. J., to Williamsport, Pa. This order does not include the passenger train service and signal tower men. Street crossing men, flagmen and track walkers also excepted.

Sentences Postponed.

NEW BRUNSWICK, DEC. 30th.—The sentences in the cases of all the Plainfield prisoners condemned for the Newland assault, are postponed until Wednesday, Jan. 4. Bail was refused in all cases.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Rev. W. E. Honeyman, the chaplain of the Reform Club, is detained at home on account of sickness.

Detective Worsley was in town today on business of a private nature, but leaves us again to-morrow.

Miss Kimball, Secretary of the C. L. S. C., is spending holiday week with her sister, at New Haven, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Van Arsdale's Christmas gift was the greatest of even all Heaven sent gifts. Ever since Wednesday morning their home on Grove street has been bright with the presence of a sweet baby girl, and the parents' two hearts have swelled forth like one in the sincerest kind of Christmas carols.

Mr. F. C. Harder was painfully injured at the depot, last evening, when returning from a business trip to Boston. He attempted to step into a hack when his foot slipped from the step, and falling, fractured some of the smaller bones in his left leg. The injured man was taken to Dr. Field's office, and later to his home on Eighth street.

The handsome Christmas decorations in Grace church were arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Pelletier, Messrs. DeGraff, Borden, Craft, Stover, Drayton, Davis, Morgan, Cock, and the Misses Morgan, Langdon, Betts, Wilkisson, Dumont and Howard. To say the least, the work was most skillfully done, and occasioned favorable comment.

Miss May Sandford of West Seventh street, made her *debut* in society last evening, and the event was attended by most of the young society people in this city and North Plainfield, many of whom were in full dress. The principal features of the evening were dancing and an elegant repast, which all apparently relished. Among those present were the following: Miss May Sandford, Miss Kittie Manning, Miss Estelle Daniel, Miss Belle Duryea, the Misses Murray, Miss Sadie Wills, Miss Knowland, Miss Carrie Jackson, Miss Minnie French, Miss Grace Daniel, Miss Langdon, Miss Mc Clure, Miss Gerty Walz, Miss Ethel Daniel, Miss Minnie Brooks, Miss Lizzie Laing, the Misses Sandford, Miss Stewart, Miss Fanny Hait, Miss Whitfield, Miss Kittie Ross, Miss Annie Murphy, Miss Stella Place, Miss Carrie Miller, Miss Lulu Pangborn, Miss Ida Cook, Miss Carrie Miller, Miss Gracie Cooley, Miss Margie Weaver, Miss Long, Miss Carrie Manning, Mr. and Mrs. Sandford, Miss Van Buskirk, of Westfield, Mr. Alfred Cook of Trenton, Miss Annie Storm, Miss Mildred Potter, Miss Mabel Van Deventer, Miss Ackerman, Miss Clara Burt, Miss Eleanor Beale, Messrs. Joe Randolph, Whitfield, Bert Peck, Max Munger, Chas. Stover, Fred. Walz, Louis Walz, Frank Martin, Howard Martin, Fred. Newman, Wallace Serrell, Frank Heyniger, Will Williams, Dave Atwood, Frank Newman, Irving Daniel, Bert Lowitz, Harry Morrison, Willard Hoff, Marion Ackerman, Edward Wilson, Gus. Marsh, Geo. Martin, Jule Erickson, Rob. Rushmore, Theo. Miller, Arthur Mulford, Eli Long, Merritt Potter, Will Runyon, Frank Searles, Warren Burt, C. G. Bristol, of Connecticut.

State Teachers' Association.

The annual meeting of the New Jersey State Teachers' Association continued its session at Trenton yesterday. The session opened with music, followed by prayer. A resolution that the New Jersey Teachers' Association urge upon the State Legislature the passage of a law permitting the school teachers to close their schools two days in the year without loss of salary to attend the meetings of the association, was adopted and referred to a committee. The session of the New Jersey Reading Circle began with a private conference of the managers. The evening programme was as follows: Address by the President, E. O. Chapman; solo, Miss Mabel Studdiford, of Orange; address, "The Possibilities of Spare Time," Rev. J. L. Hurlbut, D. D., of this city, and various reports of officers.

WASHINGTON TOPICS

SENATOR SHERMAN'S OPPOSITION TO MR. LAMAR.

Report on Marriage and Divorce—Death of Congressman Taylor's Wife—Carlisle Immersed in Work.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30. Senator Sherman has the main points of his tariff speech prepared, and is now engaged in dictating a second speech, which will also be delivered in the senate after the holidays, in opposition to the confirmation of Mr. Lamar. In a short interview yesterday Mr. Sherman said frankly that he had published the fact that he was going to vote against Lamar because he wanted the fact known, and could not reveal it after the vote has taken place. Several other Republican Senators, whose constituents are bitter against Lamar, are taking the same course of letting it be known that they can take a hint. Mr. Sherman's speech will, it is expected, go into detail in dealing with all the principal points in Lamar's public career, covering as it does a period of more than a quarter of a century. Senators Sherman, Blair, Hawley, Hoar, Chandler and Edmunds are supposed to be the men who will lead the fight on Mr. Lamar, and Mr. Sherman's speech will be the opening gun of the contest. It is said here that a mass of charges against Lamar has been filed with the Judiciary Committee, and that all sorts of stories about his private and public career will be poured into the ears of the committee members in the shape of affidavits, anonymous letters, and newspaper clippings. The senators opposed to confirmation will demand a consideration of these charges, and will probably succeed at least in delaying action on the nomination for two or three weeks after the senate adjourns.

In a few days the Provisional Committee of the Knights of Labor of the District of Columbia will issue a manifesto to the Knights of Labor and the public generally, charging the officers of the organization with assuming too great rights and power for themselves and with refusing the minority the privileges to which all the members are entitled. It demands the general reconstruction of the order, the abolition of all salaried offices, the frequent and searching examination of the accounts of officers, and the sacred guarding of the right of the minority, and advises the holding of a national convention to consummate this plan.

The bureau of labor has undertaken a compilation of the statistics of and relating to marriage and divorce in the United States and Territories. In this latter week the commissioner has employed experts authorized especially for the work, and also the regular special agents of the bureau, so far as their services was available without detriment to the other investigations which are being conducted by the bureau, and he hopes to be able to make a full and special report before the close of the present session of Congress on the statistics of marriage and divorce.

The Bulkley-Hillyer sensation ended yesterday in a manner equally as surprising as it was begun. Finding that under the laws of Maryland DeGrassey Bulkley was legally married to Miss Bessie Hillyer, the parents of the latter have withdrawn the suit that they had filed against young Bulkley to annul the marriage and gave their consent to the union of the two young people. This course was decided upon after consultation with lawyers and Dr. Bulkley father of the groom.

Mrs. Eunice S. Taylor, the wife of Congressman Ezra Taylor of Ohio, was picked up on Connecticut avenue yesterday in an unconscious condition. No one recognized her, and she was carried to Province Hospital, where she died at 2:45 without having regained consciousness. She was formerly a Mrs. Bosworth, and had been married to Taylor but a short time.

Speaker Carlisle is still busy with his committees. He finds a good deal of difficulty in arranging many of the committees so that they may be able to carry out the definite policy in reference to the comtemplated legislation. He is so busy that he did not go to New York to attend the reception of the Manhattan club.

The Secretary of the Treasury has been informed by the Assisstant Secretary of State that a Corean Embassy left the Kanagawa, Japan, on the 20th of December for San Francisco. He has instructed the Collector at the port to accord to them all the usual courtesies and to facilitate the passage of their baggage.

About 25 society people of Washington braved the bitter cold of yesterday to participate in a "drag hunt," which started from Brightwood and ended at Gov. Shepherd's country seat, "Bleak House."

No Sunday Closing in Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—There was a jubilee of saloon keepers last evening when it became known that Recorder Davenport had declared the Sunday closing ordinance unconstitutional. The Judge referred to the fact 1,200 signatures had been obtained pledging him support in case he upheld the ordinance, and stated that he could only decide in the way he thought, whether public opinion was with him or not. The case will be taken to the Supreme Court by the temperance element.

Drowned in a Factory Vat.

NEWARK, Dec. 30.—John Smith, whose body was founed floating in a vat to-day at Smyth's leather factory, lived with his sister, Mrs. James Bagley, at 138 Boyden street. He was employed in Charles Smyth's leather factory at 246 Central avenue, and while walking along a narrow plank between two vats in the tan house was seize i with vertigo and fell into one of them

Tommy Warren in Trouble.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Tommy Warren the noted feather weight pugilist, was locked up at the Armory last night on the charge of stealing a watch from Mrs. Kate Gilmer, No. 89 Walnut street. Warren claimed that the watch in question was given to him by a friend to hand to another party. After spending a few hours in a cell Warren was released on $500 bond.

Kalakaua's Many Troubles.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Private advices from Honolulu say that King Kalakaua has mortgaged nearly all his real property to pay his debts. The feeling in favor of deposing the king and seeking annexation to the United States grows among the whites.

Funeral of Benjamin Sumner.

NORWICH, Conn., Dec. 30.—The funeral of Benjamin Sumner, one of the best known importers and breeders of short horned cattle in the United States, occurred at Woodstock yesterday.

THE BIG STRIKE PENDING

WAITING THE ACTION OF THE KNIGHTS' CONVENTION.

The Railroad Company Satisfied that it Will Have All Places Filled—Mr. Lee Confident of a Generrl Tie-up.

READING, Dec. 30.—Before the convention of Knights of Labor, representing all classes of employes of the Reading Railroad Company, met here last night, Superintendent Cable said: "The strike is over. We are in control. Trains are running regularly and without the slightest interruption." Superintendent Lawler of the Mahoney City and Shamokin Division telegraphed yesterday evening: "Our troubles are about over." Palo Alto, one of the busiest places in the coal region telegraphs: "We have all the men we want. Usually we have 250 hands at work. We have 100 going, and will soon have all places filled." Ashland says "The Reading railroad in this vicinity is working as usual. Both coal and freight train are running. Their employes at Gordon and Mahoney Plane are all at work. It is thought the men at Gordon will not strike, even if ordered to do so." Mahanoy city reports: "All coal and freight trains are running almost the same as usual without any interference." Cressona reports: "Twenty-five Reading crews here are at work and trains are being moved along promptly. There is no difficulty here."

Hundreds of men are still pouring into this city in search of work, but Mr. Cable says, no more will be taken. The company has all it can employ.

At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon forty men, all miners, representing the coal regions where some of the railroad men are still in revolt, arrived to attend the convention. There were but few conciliatory spirits among the miners, and before the convention it looked as if they, with the men from Philadelphia, aided by the discharged men there and at Port Richmond, would control the body. At 7 o'clock, the hour of the meeting, over 350 delegates were in Excelsior Hall, at Tenth and Chestnut streets. The hall is in a large three-story building. Delegates were present from Pottsville, Shamokin, Mahonoy City, Palo Alto, St. Clair, Tamaqua, Shenandoah, and wherever the company operates a colliery. Among the delegates were several ex-members of the legislature. Many of the men had the appearance of hard-working mechanics, who had just left their engines and the mines.

"When the meeting was called to order the room was cleared of every one but delegates. The convention was presided over by Bernard J. Sharkey of Port Richmond, one of the discharged employes. He made an address, in which he expressed the hope that their business would be conducted with unity and harmony, and in the interest of the army of honest, intelligent workingmen. This sentiment was applauded. The roll was then called. This developed the fact that a large proportion of the assemblies in the district was represented by their full quota of five men each. Prominent on the floor were J. L. Lee, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Knights of Labor, who revoked the order notifying the employes to go back to work. H. I. Bennett, Secretary of the new Separate Railroad District Assembly No. 224, Knights of Labor: Ambrose Hede of Port Richmond, of Coalworkers' Assembly No. 6,825; Horace B Johns, a car agent, who has been a prominent member of the latter body, and John B. Kelley, Master Workman of the Main Line Local Assembly No. 10,107.

It early became evident from the tone of the convention that it was in the hands of the delegates from the coal regions. Schuylkill county alone had over 100 delegates on the floor of the hall. After the convention had been in session several hours Lee left the hall temporarily and was immediately surrounded by reporters. He said the convention would surely order a general tie up.

PROSECUTION OF BARRY.

How Far Do the Rights of Property Owners Extend in Michigan.

EAST SAGINAW, Mich., Dec. 30.—Thomas B. Barry, member of the general executive board of the Knights of Labor, was a leader in the strike of 1885, and his leadership of the strikers in the journey to the several mills on the river to call the men out was made the ground for an action against him which resulted in a judgment now hanging over him.

On July 11, 1885, several hundred men went from mill to mill to induce men still at work to join the strike for ten hours.

At the planing-mill of the Hoyt estate, of which Wm. L. Webber is the Michigan trustee, Barry halted the men at some distance from the place, and he and several others held a conference with the employees.

This lasted too long for the waiting crowd, and they invaded the premises, drew the fire and shut down the mill.

This was one of the counts in the information against Barry in the criminal prosecution which resulted in acquittal, but later Mr. Webber instituted civil proceedings against the leaders of the strike, which, as was generally believed, merely indicated the intention of learning how far the rights of property-owners extended in the control of their premises against unwelcome visitors.

Murdered His Baby.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—John North returned to his home last night, under the influence of liquor. Soon after entering the house he picked a quarrel with his wife who was nursing their 3-months-old child. He rushed upon her and aimed a powerful blow at her face, but as she turned to avoid it the stroke fell upon the head of the child, crushing its skull and causing death. The crime sobered North and he became frantic with grief. He offered no resistance when the police, who were notified, arrested him. Mrs. North North was taken into custody.

They Think Blaine the Man.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 30.—Congressmen Cutcheon of Michigan, and Wade of Missouri, both Republicans, were interviewed to-day on the Republican nomination next year. The Michigan man thought Blaine had the most friends, but would not be surprised to see the Michigan delegation vote for ex-Gov. Alger. The man from Missouri said Blaine could have the nomination if he wanted it.

Grave Charges Against a Minister.

ELIZABETHTOWN, Ill., Dec. 30.—Rev. Dr. G. W. Stevens was arrested and brought to town yesterday, charged with causing the death of Mrs. Sarah Cook by an operation. He is an eloquent preacher of the Gospel, and the deceased was a widow and prominent member of his church.

Capture of a Large Octopus.

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 30.—An octopus having tentacles three feet long was captured on the beach here yesterday. It died soon after. It was the longest octopus ever seen here.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 30, 1887.

Bennett, Miss Maggie A	Kerry, John H.
Berry, Wm. H.	Marshall, Harry
Cornell, Mrs. Kate	Mowinkel, Miss Eizzie S.
Carricaburee, L. B.	Mowinkel, Miss Mary
Dunn, Miss Nellie	Munan, James
Eno, Miss Emma A.(3)	Newton, Mrs. N.
Grey, Eleanor	Nssh, Capt. R. N.
Holmes, Miss Marjorie	Perken, Mrs. Chas.
Holmes, Mrs. L. H.	Patterson, G. W.
Hamilton, Mrs. Jennie	Pittinger, Rev.
Hoffman, Jacob	Pittinger, Rev. Wm.
Hann, John	Smith, D. B.
Jacques, Wm. S.	Smith. Mrs. Sue
Killeen, Miss Mary	Smith, Miss Mary A.
King, Thos. B.	Terry, J. W.
Klepper, John	Underhill, Wilsen,
	Walker, M. H.

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In which Play

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Will enact his great character of

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This part has been acted by Mr. Florence in England, Ireland and Scotland, as well as in the United States and Canada.

Seats on sale at J. G. Miller's and Field & Randolph's drug stores, Friday, Dec. 30. No advance in prices. Admission, 50 cents. 12-29-4t

To the Public.

Having purchased the business of MR. JOHN SHROPPE at *No. 31 West Front St.*, I have entirely renovated the place and am now ready to supply the *Best Fruits* in the New York market, *Fresh Roasted Peanuts* every day, all kinds of *Nuts* and *Confectionery*. I buy the *BEST* of everything, and sell at *LIVING PRICES!*

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MR. HENRY LEE, and a carefully selected company, under the personal management of MR. H. C. MINER.

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TOUR OF THE COLD WAVE.

Reaching From Minnesota to Virginia and Northward to the Provinces.

CALAIS, Me., Dec. 30.—A southeast gale, accompanied by snow, prevailed in Eastern and Northern Maine yesterday. No serious damage was done in this immediate vicinity. Five vessels are ashore at Grand Manan Island.

HALIFAX, Dec. 30.—A terrific southeast gale prevailed last night and caused extensive damage to shipping in the harobr, all of which were more or less injured.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 30.—The dying year signalized its departure by one the severest storms experienced in this section for years. The storm began about 7 o'clock last night and raged without intermission until daylight this morning. The wind blew 60 miles an hour, increasing occasionally to 70 and 80 miles.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Dec. 30.—The weather was extremely cold last night and the thermometer registered 13 above zero. Reports from the Southwest says the weather is very cold and the thermometer registers below zero.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 30.—Navigation has been entirely suspended by the cold wave, and no hopes are entertained of a rise in the rivers sufficient to allow the shipment of coal to southern and western ports before the usual February freshets.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 30.—The river was frozen over here early this morning and navigation is suspended.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 30.—The Ohio river at this point this morning is frozen over, and navigation is entirely suspended.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 30.—At 7 o'clock this morning the mercury stood at 22 degrees below zero. The cold wave stretched down from the northwest and reached a point much further south below even in the southern part of the state. In some parts of the far Northwest it fell as low as 40 degrees.

Tapping Mexican Mines.

EL PASO, Dec. 30.—William H. McWood, a San Francisco capitalist has returned from the city of Mexico with papers for one of the largest concessions ever granted by the Mexican gavernment. The concession is a right of way for a railroad to commence at Tepic, state of Jalisco, and run northwest to Mazatlan on the coast, in the state of Sinaloa; thence northwest through that state, touching a number of important cities, to connect with the Southern Pacific railroad at Yuma, A. T. The new line will be somewhat circular, forming a belt line that will tap one of the largest and richest mining regions in the world, getting at all the ore on the Pucific slope of the Sierra Madres, which is now packed long distances on buros. Work is to be begun in May and will require three or four years for completion.

The Coke Syndicate.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 30.—That a coke syndicate will be formed to-day is now conceded. At the last meeting those small producers who objected to the arrangement of the pool were brought over and it was agreed that the price of coke should remain at $2 for the month. The H. C. Fricke Coke Company has also changed its attitude and expressed its desire to work amicably with the new syndicate and its willingness to have all the extra coke handled by the syndicate. This is considered by the members as equivelent to the firm going into the pool. When the pool is formed they will not be bound to agree to maintain the syndicate price of coke and if necessary restricts its production.

A Colliery on Fire.

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Dec. 30.—A fire started in the third lift of No. 4 mine at Lost Creek operated by the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, yesterday, and burned to the surface destroying over a thousand feet of timbered slope, the boiler house and surface pump house, with three pumps and two powerful hoisting engines used to hoist coal from the lower lifts to the upper ones. The breaker narrowly escaped being burned. The loss will reach about $50,000. The mine has not been worked since September, owning to the strike. When in operation, the mine gives employment to about six hundred people.

To Improve the Road.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 30.—The stockholders of the Derby Railroad authorized the Directors to-day to make necessary purchases of land in this city for additional terminal facilities, to move the passenger station a few blocks west of its present location, to build a connection thirteen and a half miles long to the Housatonic Railroad at Botsford, and to borrow money to pay the debts of the company, and carry out the changes contemplated.

Suits to Recover Assessments.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Dec. 30.—Suits were instituted yesterday against seventy persons to recover an assessment levied by the New Era Life Association for amounts ranging from $20 to $250. The defendant's affairs are in the hands of a receiver, and the members refuse on that account to pay their assessments, which, it is said, were levied to cover death losses before the receivership. The hearing in the cases will take place next Tuesday.

Leather Workers Form a Union.

BUFFALO, Dec. 30.—The leather-workers in session here adopted the name of National District of Leather Workers of the United States and Canada for their association. The following officers were elected: David Moorland of Massachusetts, President; George Clinton of Chicago, Secretary and Treasurer; William Laroux of Montreal, National Foreman; John Simitz of Milwaukee, Statistician.

Denver's Oldest Newspaper.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 30.—The *Rocky Mountain News*, the pioneer newspaper of the Rocky Mountain region, removed Thursday night to its new building. Its former office was the oldest building in the city, and the newspaper had occupied it for twenty-one years. When the initial number of the *News* was issued, Denver consisted of four log houses and several hundred tents. That was in April, 1859.

Coal Shipping Prevented by Ice.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 30.—The Monongahela and Allegheny rivers are closed with ice, and the Ohio is freezing over. The coal operators had begun to ship coal to Cincinnati and Louisville to fill old contracts. They will loose thousands of dollars.

The Mayhem May Result Fatally.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—James Burns, aged twenty-eight, who was bittan in the hand by Thomas Brannan on the 19th inst., is in a critical condition from the wound and it is feared he will die. Brannan has been re-arrested.

Death of A. B. Burleson.

NORWICH, Conn., Dec. 30.—A. B. Burleson, a prominent manufacturer of eastern Connecticut and a Republican, of Jewett City, died yesterday.

THE GRAND OLD MAN

GLADSTONE'S 78TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED AT HAWARDEN.

Wilson Not Legally Involved—Peace Prospects Good—Abyssinians Still Advancing—Duel With Swords.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Yesterday was the seventy-eighth birthday of William Ewart Gladstone, and it was celebrated with great heartiness at his home in Hawarden and all over England, notwithstanding his absence on the continent. Hundreds of congratulatory telegrams have poured into his family, and last evening the great statesman's health was drunk at simultaneous meetings of the Liberal and Radical Clubs in Great Britain, as well as at hundreds of branches of the National League in Ireland.

Mr. Gladstone is still rugged and sturdy, and thousands of wishes went up that the Grand Old Man may see many more birthdays.

Mr. Gladstone left Paris for Florence, to which place he will journey direct. He has written Sir William Harcourt that he will return to England in time to attend the opening of parliament.

WILSON LANDS ON HIS FEET.

He Escapes the Fate that May Overtake His Accomplices.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—The fortunate Daniel Wilson has again landed on his feet, after being held in suspense once more. The decision of the court that the case against him regarding the new decoration scandal is not a lawful one, while extremely lucky for Mr. Wilson, is not equally so for the four other agents who are supposed to have had a hand in the affair. A speedy trial, with a probable conviction, will be their fate.

There appears to be a consummate generalship in M. Wilson's tactics which never fails to exonerate him and render his escape possible at the expense of others, who evidently posess less influence than himself.

The Crown Prince.

SAN REMO, Dec. 30.—Drs. Mackenzie, Schrader, Krause and Hovell issued a bulletin yesterday in regard to the Crown Prince Frederick William's condition, in which they say that the growth which last appeared in the Prince's throat on the left ventricular band has not spread further, and now presents an ulcerous appearance, with indications of becoming cicatrided. In the immediate region of the growth there remains a permanent congestion of the ventricular band, with a tendency to a mucous secretion, which, however, is also decreasing. The Princ's general condition for several weeks past has been perfectly satisfactory.

Snow Storms in Europe.

VIENNA, Dec. 30.—A heavy snow storm is prevailing here. No train has left Pesth for Vienna since yesterday. The Orient express, which was due at Pesth yesterday morning had not arrived at a late hour yesterday afternoon. All the railways are either wholly or partially blocked.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Severe weather is being experienced in the southeast of France. There has been a heavy fall of snow at Nice.

The Abyssinians Still Advancing.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—A despatch from Massowah says: "Last night the Italian camp was aroused by an alarm that the Abyssinians were about to make an attack. It was afterwards ascertained that the Italian commander had caused the alarm to be raised in order to test the troops. The experiment showed that everything was in perfect order. The Abyssinians continue to advance."

The Russian University Riots.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 30.—A majority of the ministers have declared to the Czar that the recent rioting among the students was due not to political causes, but to the just discontent which has prevailed on account of the new university statutes. The objection able statutes will probably soon be altered.

The Peace Prospects Good.

COLOGNE, Dec. 30.—"Reliable advices from Vienna say that the European situation may be expected to become more tranquil, owing to a mutual explanation which is either intended or has already partly been given."

A Duel With Swords,

PARIS, Dec. 30.—M. Mayer, director of the *Gaulois*, and M. de Woestyne, formerly Paris correspondent for a New York paper, fought a duel with swords yesterday. M. Mayer disarmed M. de Woenstyne in the second bout. In the fourth and last bout M. Mayer was slightly wounded in the arm.

The Cork Scandal.

CORK, Dec. 30.—The government official who is charged with criminally assaulting three young girls, is Major Bishop, Governor of the County Jail. The police authorities refuse to prosecute him.

Bulgaria Wants to Mix With the World.

SOFIA, Dec. 31.—The Sobranje has passed bills authorizing the government to conclude treaties of commerce with all countries and to issue a loan of $10,000,000 for railway construction.

The Servian Ministry Resigns.

BELGRADE, Dec. 30.—The Servian ministry resigned yesterday. The resignation of the ministry has been accepted by King Milan. The retirement of M. Ristics is considered a check to Russa.

A BRITISH STEAMSHIP LOST.

The Crew Safe on the Lightship off Nantucket, Mass.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 31.—Schooner Agnes J. Grace, just in from Boston, reports that while passing the South Shoal lightsnip, off Nantucket, Mass., she saw a small boat put off from the lightship and bear down to meet her. On board the boat was Capt. Thornton, of the British steamship Newcastle City, hailing from Newcastle for New York, who reported the loss of his ship on the preceding day.

She carried a heavy cargo of assorted merchandise. The crew, numbering twenty-five, had found refuge on the lightship. From the statement of Captain Thornton it appears that his ship was on the inside between the lightship and land. The water is only from two to three fathoms deep, and the steamship draws over twenty-five feet. Captain Seavey of the Gracie, asking how it occurred, Captain Thorton replied that his ship "took bottom."

The sea was very high at the time, and the bottom of the Newcastle City was crushed in when she struck the hard sand. Captain Thornton returned to the lightship. The crew had a hard time in saving themselves.

AGAINST THE BLAIR BILL.

Senator Reagan Preparing to Attack it in the Senate.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 30. Senator John H. Reagan is evidently preparing for one of the greatest efforts of his life, as he is writing to Land Commissioner Hall and others here asking for data to be used against the Blair educational bill. He requests Commissioner Hall to furnish him with information as to how much land the State of Texas has given to common schools and to universities for school purposes.

The senator will produce figures that will be likely to puzzle and startle his New England colleagues, who must be prepared to meet the fact that at least one southern state has abundantly endowed its school system with valuable lands aggregating an area equal to the State of Ohio. Some time ago State School Superintendent Cooper wrote to Mr. Reagan, suggesting that he use his endeavors to amend the Blair bill so that all the money apportioned to any state may be used to build schoolhouses.

The Senator replied to this by saying that he thinks there is no possibility of inducing the friends of the bill to change it so as to make the whole sum applicable to the construction of schoolhouses, and concluded as follows:

"The whole framework of the bill shows that the particular feature of it is to get the Federal Government into control of the common schools of the various states. I look upon the measure as one of the most mischievous and dangerous that has ever been before Congress. I expect to make an argument against it in the Senate after the holidays. I think it will pass the Senate by a very large majority. My hope is, however, that it may be defeated in the house of representatives."

HIGH WATER AT PORTLAND.

The Breakwater Damaged and Communication With the Lighthouse Cut Off.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 30.—The steamer John Brooks was badly damaged Wednesday night by pounding against Randall & McAllister's wharf. The rails were stove in for about forty feet.

The boom at Bradford's spar yard gave way and the spars and timbers are scattered about the yard. The loss will probably be heavy.

The sea swept the Portland breakwater cutting of communication between the lighthouse and the shore. It is said this never occurred before.

The schooner Margaret Smith was run into by a vessel adrift and badly stove.

The fire in the great coal sheds of the Allen line of steamers is still burning and all efforts to reach the fire have been fruitless.

General Strike of Glassworkers.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—It is learned through the Union Glassworkers at Somerville that on Monday next a general strike is to be inaugurated in all the glass factories in what is known as the Eastern association. All flint glass manufactories in Brooklyn, New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Philadelphia, and Massachusetts will be affected by the movement. The chief cause of complaint is said to be a rule recently adopted by the association claiming the right for each manufactory to employ such men as it should see fit. As all the glassworkers are members of the American Flint Glassworkers union, whose general headquarters are at Pittsburgh, rule is especially obnoxious to them, and they propose to resist it. The glassworkers, it is said, will clear up their work Saturday noon and not return.

To Revolutionize the Atlantic Mail Service.

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—W. R. Anderson of Anderson & Co., who are, with other English capitalists, tendering for the carriage of English mails, was in the city yesterday and stated that, should their tender be accepted, the steamships which they would put on would revolutionize the Atlantic ocean service. In this connection, he said, the passengers by this line can be landed in Chicago by the time the direct steamship lands them in New York, and the Canadian should not alone carry a very large share of this travel, but should carry a very large share of the American mails as well.

A Brutal Set of Officers.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The captain, second mate and paymaster of the British bark Embiedon, which has just arrived at Sunderland from San Francisco, have been arrested on charges preferred by the crew. The officers are charged with the grossest cruelty toward the men, three of whom, it is claimed, jumped overboard to escape a beating and a fourth died of his injuries. A fifth landed in an almost dying condition. The officers were remanded for a hearing.

A Railroaders' Savings Bank.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—The Pennsylvania Railroad company has authorized a number of agents to receive deposits from its employees on the united railroads of New Jersey division for the new savings bank established by the company.

Walking Across the Hudson.

RONDOUT, N. Y., Dec. 30.—People walked across the Hudson river on the ice between Saugerties and Tivoli yesterday.

Sporting News.

Negotiations are on foot for a fight between Jack Farrell of Harlem and Johnny Havlin of Boston. Both are lightning featherweights and they ought to make a corking fight.

W. A. Hoagland has beaten the 100-mile record in the Kansas City six-day-heel-and toe walking match, covering that distance in 36 hours and 56 minutes. O'Leary's best time for a 100-mile dash was but ten minutes faster.

Frozen Bill Corney has arrived in London, and has secured Charley Rowell for the six-days' go-as-you-please contest which begins at Madison Square Garden on Feb. 5. He cables that he has strong hopes of securing Scott and Courtright also.

Wednesday was the fourth happiest day of Jake Kilrain's life. The first was his birthday, the second his wedding day, the third the day he pulled through with Jem Smith, and Wednesday he got his backer's share of the stake money as a present. Some people are born lucky, and Jake was not hid behind the door when the fickle goddess began distributing her favors.

John Sullivan seems determined to ignore Jake Kilrain, for he has challenged Jem Smith to meet him for one thousand pounds a side, two weeks after his match with Mitchell, and has posted half of his stake as a forfeit. Evidently he has but but little apprehension of being hurt by Charley, or he would not fix the date with Smith so soon after his meeting with Charley. But then John has a mind of his own, and he has come out of so many narrow places unscathed that he feels that he is a sort of a special pet of good fortune.

The new management of the American Jockey club intend that the races at Jerome Park shall be equal in value to any in the country, and will increase the amounts of many of the purses and of the added money in stake races. Now if they will provide suitable station accommodations at the end of the railway at the course, and will build a good road from it to the entrance of the grand stand, they will add greatly to the comfort and convenience of their patrons, and especially of the female portion of them.

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Time Table in Effect December 8, 1887.

PLAINFIELD AND NEW YORK.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.35, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.23, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a. m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9 29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6,02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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OUR CANADIAN COLONY.

Halifax Papers Urge on Our Senate the Extradition of Criminals.

HALIFAX, Dec. 30.—The *Mail* has published the following editorially:

"The circumstances attending the compromise which the authorities of the Saco bank have evidently made with Frank McNeally, the youthful embezzler, are most certainly of a very suspicious character. By compromising with this young thief the bank authorities have placed a premium on fraud.

"The public would taboo a man who had been bribed to aid a criminal to escape, and there should be some way of severely punishing the bank authorities if they have been bribed by the return of the bonds to connive at McNeally's escape from the just penalties of his crime. Already there are on this side of the border some five hundred defaulters whose thefts aggregate some $4,000,000.

"The McNeally case should impress the American Senate with the importance of ratifying the convention framed for the extradition of the criminals who now find a safe retreat in Canada, where every facility is offered for the escape of defaulters. Such a heavy premium is placed upon the commission of these crimes that confidence in commercial institutions is very sadly shaken."

The Knigths of Pythias.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—Knights of Pythias in this city and state are excited over a dispute between the Supreme Lodge of the United States and the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, which threatens to be carried into the courts before it is settled. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania claims the right of self-government for itself and its lodges, but this is denied by the Supreme Lodge. There are 40,000 members of the order in this state, of which number 7,900 reside in this city. They are a unit in support of the position taken by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The Worcester South Church Case.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 30.—A final settlement has been reached in the case of the First parish against the city for taking its rights in the old South church property. An agreement for a special judgment has been urged by Frank P. Goulding, the city collector, and by George F. Hoar for the parish the amount agreed upon being $115,385. Each side will pay its own costs. The amount of the original award as fixed by the commissioners was $148,000.

Powderly's Probable Successor Defeated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Paul P. Bowen, of this city, who has been spoken of as the probable successor of T. V. Powderly, of the knights of labor, was defeated for re-election as master workman of his assembly There was a strong fight made against him, and a ticket put forward by the conservative members of the assembly, and headed by H. J. Sphultis, was elected.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

Despatches from Spain report that the snow is two feet deep, and railways are blocked.

Smallpox is epidemic in San Francisco, especially among the Chinese, who dislike the pest house.

The rumors that have been current about an insurrection in Poland is authoritatively denied at Berlin.

The Duluth and Union National Banks will consolidate Jan. 1. The new bank will have a paid up capital of $1,000,000.

Mr. Stanley Waterloo, one of the best known newspaper men in the West, has become managing editor of the Chicago *Mail*.

The Hebrew Benevolent Society of Vienna announces the receipt of an annual donation from Baron Hirsch of 14,000 florins.

Wednesday placards were posted around Ottawa, Ont., denouncing Lord Lansdowne. The governor-general looks upon the matter as a joke.

Another Ute outbreak is feared near the Utah line, as the Indians are off their reservation buying all the rifles and firearms that they can obtain.

Walter Murray Gibson will probably be again called to the helm of Hawaiian affairs, as there is great dissatisfaction with the cabinet of Kalakaus.

An international musical exhibition will open at Bologna, Italy, on May 1, 1888, and continue for six months. Verdi, the composer, will be present.

Officers are scouring the country west of St. Paul, in search of ex-Judge J. J. McCafferty and C. Tyson Butcher, a lawyer, who have gone out to fight a duel.

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—For New England, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, slightly warmer, fair weather, with brisk to high winds.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Money on call to-day, 5 and 6 per cent.

BONDS.

		Closing Yesterday.	Closing To-day.
4½s.	1891, reg	108¾	108¾
4½s.	1891, coup	108¾	108¾
4s.	1907, reg	125¾	126¼
4s.	1907, con	127¼	127¼

STOCK MARKET.

THREE O'CLOCK—In the latter part of the afternoon the market made a decided show of strength, and there were sharp advances in nearly all active stocks.

CLOSING PRICES.

	Closing Yesterday.	Closing To-day.
Canadian Pacific	61¾	62
Chicago, Bur. & Q.	130	130
Central Pacific	33	33¼
Del. & Hud.	103	103¼
Del., Lack. & West.	129¼	130¼
Erie	29¼	29¾
Erie, prif.	64	64¾
Lake Shore	95¾	95¾
Louis. & Nash.	61	61¾
Michigan Central	88¾	89
Missouri Pacific	89¾	89¾
N. Y. & New Eng.	37	37½
New Jersey Central	75	75¾
New York Central & Hud.	109	109¾
Northwestern	107	107¾
Oregon Navigation	90	90
Pacific Mail	35¼	35¼
Reading	65¾	66¼
Rock Island	113¾	113
St. Paul	75¾	76¼
Union Pacific	57¾	58¾
Western Union	77¾	78

PRODUCE MARKET.

Wheat—Market quiet and firm. No. 1 red, 95c.; extra red, 94c.a94½c.; No. 2 red, 92c.; elevator, 93c. delivered; No. 3 red, 89½c.; state white, 92c.a92½c.; No. 1 white, 91c.a92c.; ungraded white, 89½c.a95c.; No. 1 hard Duluth, 95¾c.

December, 91 1-16c.; January, 91¾c.; February, 92¾c.; March, 94c.; May, 95⅝c.

Corn—Market steady. No. 2 at 62c. in elevator and 63¼c.a63½c. delivered; No. 3, 60c.; steamer, 60½c.

January, 62⅛c.; February, 62¼c.; May, 63c.

Oats—Market steady. No. 1 white, 42½c.; No. 2 white, 41c.a41½c.; No. 3 white, 39½c.a40½c.; No. 1 mixed, 39c.; No. 2 mixed, 38c.a38½c.; No. 3 mixed, 38c.; rejected, 37c.; No. 2 Chicago, 39½c.

December, 38¼c.; January, 38½c.; February, 39⅜c.; May, 40¼c.

MERCANTILE EXCHANGE.

Butter—Market steady. Creamery—Eastern, 25c.a28c.; western, 28c.a30c.; Elgin, 31c.a33c.; imitation, 23c.a25c. Dairy—Eastern, half-firkin tubs, 20c.a27c.; eastern, Welsh tubs, 21c.a25c.; eastern, firkins, 19c.a22c.; eastern, dairies complete, 18c.a23c.; western, 18c.a22c.; Factory—Fresh, 18c.a23c.

Cheese—Market dull. Factory, New York, cheddar, 11½c.a12c.; western, flat, 11½c.a11¾c. Creamery—New York, part skims, 8c.a9c.; skims, 5c.a7c.; state skims, 3c.a6c.

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MOTHER.

Of all dear words the tongue can tell,
In this land or another,
The one without its parallel
Is—Mother.

Of all loved names e'er told or read,
Or whispered to another,
The first one learned, the last one said,
Is—Mother.

Of all sweet joys that mortals know,
In this big world of brothers,
The sweetest Heaven doth bestow
Is—Mother's.

Of all sad heartaches, lone and drear,
That nothing ever smothers,
The saddest, deepest sent us here
Is—Mother's.

Of all hard toils and tireless care,
A home maintained so gathers,
Those which no helping hand can share
Are—Mother's.

Of all rewards for duties done,
All for the good of others,
The best (alas, when life is run,)
Is—Mother's.

H. C. Dodge, in Goodall's Sun.

DICK'S CONVERSION.

A Novel Method Pursued by a Wide-Awake Preacher.

Sister Pilcher was a pious woman—a Hardshell Baptist—but she had a son who seemed to be possessed of a devil, and not a very small one. For gambling, drinking, horse-racing, cock-fighting and all other kinds of wickedness, Dick Pilcher had not his equal in Warren County, and that is saying a good deal. In vain Sister Pilcher prayed and exhorted; the devil that had taken up his abode in her son would not be exorcised, but grew more rampant daily.

On Saturday evening a stranger rode up to Sister Pilcher's gate, and asked if he could get lodging for the night. Now Sister Pilcher made it a point never to refuse anybody shelter under her roof, unless the applicant for hospitality chanced to be a very disreputable looking body, and then only because she thought her son knew quite enough of such people and she did not wish to extend his circle of acquaintances in that direction. As this stranger was a highly respectable-looking man, he was invited to "light," and when he had done so was ushered into the house, while his horse was sent round to the stable to be cared for.

Sister Pilcher's guest was a large, middle-aged man, with a fine, open countenance and broad, intellectual forehead, and looked like one who was not only mentally strong, but physically so—who might, on occasion, shoulder a sack of corn and toss it into the wagon with ease.

When supper was ready the hopeful heir of the Pilcher estate—houses, lands and negroes, to say nothing of horses, mules, cows and lesser beasts—came in and, saluting the stranger, not over-politely, took his seat at the table.

Richard Pilcher was a youth of eighteen years of age, physically well put up, as they say, but with a face on which the animal passions had already made their mark.

"Sam," he said to the negro boy who waited at the table, "you git my fishin' lines fixed up to-night; I'm a goin' fishin' airly ter-morrer mornin'."

His mother looked at him sorrowfully. "I wouldn't do it of I was you, Dicky," she said; "Ter-morrer's a Sunday."

"O, bosh," was all the reply Dick made to this appeal.

"Are you fond of fishing?" asked the guest, looking at the youth.

"Not pertic'ler," was the reply; "but thar ain't nothin' else a feller kin do on a Sunday."

"Well, I am a fisherman myself," said the other, "and if you have no objections, I'll go with you to-morrow."

"You, mister?", said Sister Pilcher, with a look of astonishment.

"Yes, ma'am; why not? Fishing is a pleasant amusement."

"That's jes' es one thinks," said the old lady; "on'y it 'peared to me you was a different kin' a man to that—you looks most like yer mought be a preacher."

"I am a fisherman, ma'am—first and last a fisherman, in season and out of season."

Nothing more was said on the subject. Sister Pilcher was evidently disappointed in her guest, and, though she did not treat him impolitely, had as little to say to him as it was possible without being unmannerly. Her son, however, manifested a suddenly-awakened interest in him, as it were, entertaining him with stories of his own exploits in the arena of Satan's circus, as the most agreeable way he could think of to amuse him.

The next morning at daylight Dick and his new friend sat down to a substantial breakfast, prepared by Sam, and when they had eaten their fill, started for a creek about a mile and a half from the house, the negro following with the fishing tackle and a suspicious-looking black bottle.

Soon they were casting their lines in the deep brown waters of as pretty a stream as ever flowed among the green hills of Georgia, and Dick and Sam landed trout after trout, and bream after bream. The stranger, however, was not so successful; luck seemed to be all against him; for he never got a nibble, though he sat watching his motionless float with the greatest patience and good temper.

"I say, stranger," said Dick, laughing, "I thought you were a fisherman?"

"So I am," said the stranger, "and you shall see, by and by, that I shall take a bigger fish than either of you have taken—a fish so big that I will have to go down into the water and wrestle with him."

"Ho, ho!" laughed Dick. "I should like to see thet thar fish."

Just then the unsuccessful fisherman pulled his line out of the water.

"Why, look thar," said Dick, "you ain't got no bait on yer hook; 'taint no wonder yer don't ketch no fish."

The stranger said nothing, but laying his pole on the ground, went to a little hickory sapling that grew not far off, from which he cut a good stout switch, trimming it as he walked back to where the young man was standing.

"Wat in thet thunder yer goin' to do with thet?" asked Dick.

"I am going to catch my big fish," was the reply; "you shall see, my son."

In the meantime the negro, who had caught fish enough to get tired of the sport, had come to see what was going forward, and he and his master stood looking on while the stranger continued to trim his switch, as if they expected to be initiated into the secret of some great mystery.

"Now," said the latter to Sam, as he bent the switch two or three times to test its elasticity, "you go yonder and sit on that log, boy, and don't you dare to move till I tell you."

Sam thought this was part of the conjuration, and readily did as he was bid. No sooner was he seated on the log when a strong hand seized Dick Pilcher by the lapels of his coat, and shook him till his teeth rattled against each other like castanets.

"Now, young man," said the owner of that hand, giving his switch two or three flourishes over the astonished Mr. Pilcher's head, "I am about to give you a lesson that will last you the balance of your days," and before Dick could put in a protest the switch was whistling about his ears, and falling on his shoulders and legs with astonishing rapidity.

In vain he struggled and fought—he did fight hard—in vain he called on Sam for assistance. He was as powerless as a dog in the grip of a lion, and the negro never stirred, sitting still, with his mouth and eyes wide open, as if he were looking at some wonderful feat of legerdemain.

"There," said the castigator, when he had striped and cross-striped his writhing victim from head to foot, "that's what you've been wanting this long while, if what I've heard about you and what you have told me about yourself be true. Come, sir, down upon your knees!" and Dick Pilcher, utterly dazed, bewildered and demoralized, went down upon his knees as though it was the most natural thing in the world for him to do.

The stranger then knelt down beside him and offered up an earnest petition to Heaven, making Dick repeat after him, asking to be forgiven all sins, and specifying those to which the youth was especially addicted. The prayer finished, he asked his neophyte if he felt any access of grace.

"No, I doesn't," was the sullen reply.

"Then we will have to go back and begin over," he said, picking up the switch that he had thrown to the ground.

"Hole on, mister," said Dick, when he saw this. "I b'lieve I does feel a little diff'rent, an' mebbe that's it a-comin'."

"Very good," said the other; "have you ever been baptized?"

"I dunno."

"Then it's time you did know," and with that the stranger dragged Dick down into the water and ducked him three times, saying he didn't think nine times would be any too many.

"Now," he said, after they had scrambled back to dry land, "wring the water out of your coat, for its time we were at the church. Sam!" he shouted to the negro, who seemed to awake from a dream at the sound of his voice, "break those fishing poles to pieces and throw them and the fish you've caught into the creek, and mind you never go fishing again on Sunday, or it may be the worse for you. Do you hear?"

"Yes, sir; I hears," said Sam, walking slowly toward them.

"When you have done these things," said the other, "come to church like a Christian, and perhaps you, too, may find grace."

"Twart none er my doin's," said Sam. "I nuver did like dis yer goin' er fishin' uv a Sundays, but ef I hedn't er done hit Marse Dick he'd jes er gimme bringer—an dat's er fac', fo' Gawd, sir."

"I thought as much; if I hadn't I would have given you a spiritual lecture likewise."

Sam was rather uncertain as to the meaning of a spiritual lecture, but he had an idea it was some such dose as he had seen administered to his Marse Dick.

As for Dick, he hadn't a word to say; but having wrung the water out of his coat, went long with his ghostly comforter silently and meekly.

There was a new preacher expected to hold forth at the church that day, and the congregation were anxiously awaiting his appearance, wondering what could have happened to detain him, when the stranger, leading Dick Pilcher, still soaking wet, walked up the aisle. When he reached the little platform in front of the pulpit he faced about, making his companion do the same.

"Brothers and sisters," he said, in the clear accents of a practical orator, "this is a brand that, by the grace of God, I have snatched from the burning—a fish—a slimy fish he was, though he is clean now—that I have dragged out of the sea of iniquity. Let us pray."

After the prayer, he took a hymn book from his pocket, and requested the congregation to sing that hymn in which occur the lines:

While the lamp holds out to burn,
The vilest sinner may return.

During the singing he asked that the brothers and sisters would come up and give the right hand of fellowship to this new soldier of the cross.

"This recruit," he said, "as we may call him, who as yet knoweth naught of Christian discipline, but in which it behooveth us to instruct him."

And every man and woman then went up and shook hands with Dick, the hymn being repeated over and over again, until the last two elders of the church led him off, and seated him between them on the sent of grace, where he sat and listened to a fine sermon—the first he had heard for many a day—delivered by the man who had converted him.

And what is more and best: Dick Pilcher never was a backslider, and he used to say, in after years, that grace had been mauled into him with a hickory stick and would stay.—*Robert Boggs, in N. O. Times-Democrat.*

WALTHALL'S CHARGE.

Graphic Account of a Confederate Attack in Front of Atlanta.

J. M. Reid, of Keokuk, Ia., contributes to the "History of the Fifteenth Iowa" (General Belknap's old regiment) the following graphic account of a Confederate charge at Ezra Church, in front of Atlanta, July 28, 1864: "The Confederate forces, formed in columns on the hill, made a grand display as they took up their line of march down the hill, marching as coolly and as deliberately as if they were going out on battalion or grand review, till they were fully half way to the fence, when, from our fire, they commenced falling, being killed or wounded, but they never wavered, but closed up and came steadily on toward our works. A gallant and handsome General, a magnificent horseman, mounted on a large, fiery dappled-gray horse, which made him conspicuous, led them with drawn saber, who, we learned from General Gowan, of Arkansas, was General E. C. Walthall, of Grenada, Miss., a very distinguished lawyer, now United States Senator from that State. Three times he led that grand veteran column, as it were, into the jaws of death, to charge upon our works, and three times they were repulsed. It seemed as if half the army were firing at the General. I took seven shots at him myself, as fast as a musket could be loaded for me. It is not strange that I did not hit him, but I have often wondered how he escaped, as I learn he and his horse also did, unhurt, with all those sharpshooters after his scalp. I have seen many mounted officers under fire and in battle, but never saw any man bear himself with more heroic daring in the face of death on every side than he did on that day. He won the admiration of his enemies."

IN THE SALZKAMMERGUT.

The Famous Wine Cellar and Circus of Salzburg's Jolly Monks.

We plunged into the dark, stone, tunnel-like entrance, says a writer in the *Argonaut*. It looked more like a passageway to a stable than the hallway of a famous hostelry, and might have led to one of the famous riding-schools of Salzburg, close at hand. The hallway was lined with rude benches and crowded with peasants. The great flaring, wing-like head-dresses of the women made them look at first like huge bats in the gloom. But, as we became accustomed to the light, or, rather, the darkness, the oxlike patience of the peasants' eyes defined itself from out the shadows of the coif, and we saw men sandwiched in between, with the inevitable feather and flower in their hats.

They bring their own black bread and sausage, now and then a bit of cake for an extra treat—for a sweet tooth always goes with a strong German guttural—and spread their feast out on the tables when they buy their wine. One is as like to sit cheek by jowl with a Prince as a peasant in the "stift-keller," but for the most part the peasants like to huddle together in the hallway, where their humble spreads will not be criticized by more lordly wine-drinkers.

The stone tunnel leads into a round, open room, lighted from above by a kind of well-hole, and gives immediately upon the cellar itself, into which one might look and see literally miles of bottle shelves and casks if the daylight penetrated. As it is, lights are flashing through what appears to be endless darkness, and now and then the lanterns will flash on one of the lay monks—not so fat or so merry as the twain we met outside—as they serve the wine to the kellners who bring it to us; for the holy men do not serve their clientele with their own hands. Perhaps there is just a little too much roystering sometimes in the "stift-keller" to make it decorous or seemly, although there is no better conducted crowd in all the world than a lot of Germans enjoying themselves. One says Germans, even in Austria, where they do not resent the term, though there is a subtle difference, even in the German language, from the moment you cross the frontier-line.

The oberkellner invited us to climb the steep stairway to an upper appartment, which he told us, and made a deep obeisance as he spoke, was reserved for excellenzas. But we chose rather to mix with the gay and comfortable throngs who were sipping wine at the crowded tables in the round room. It is true, it was redolent of every grade of tobacco under the sun, from a Havana, which a rich-looking Spaniard was smoking in one corner, through all the grades of German pipes, and down to the long, thin Italian cigar, which looks like a lean and discouraged little breakfast sausage with a straw stuck in the end, presumably to carry off the flavor. But every face gleamed through this haze of smoke alight with calm, lazy pleasure. Officers, students, priests, travelers, doctors of every thing under the sun, and members of various societies for the protection of the memory of Mozart and the Archbishops, were taking their afternoon comfort, which is part of the practical religion of a German, in the cool, grotto-like rotunda of the stiftkeller.

A DESPERATE ENGINEER.

How Old Mac Worked Out His Dislike to Certain Brakemen.

"When the Chesapeake & Ohio road was built," said a veteran brakeman to a Philadelphia *Record* reporter, "an old Scotch engineer, let us call him McIntosh, was the first engineer employed. He had the reputation of eccentricity, and began to sustain it by killing and crippling his brakemen. He would whistle and slow up for a dog, throw his lever over to keep from killing a cow, but when he felt ugly he would kill a brakeman without losing a breath. When I went on the road five years ago he had acquired the name of 'Devil Mac' and the 'Man Killer' everywhere, and the train master had hard work getting a crew when Mac was in the engine. He had a fine locomotive, and could pull as big a train up the New river grades as any man. He had killed, it was said, an even dozen men when I was put on the crew of Bob Jenkins, as brave a conductor as you ever heard of.

"Mac was engineer, and one day during one of the fights at a station (by the way, Jenkins would stop his train to fight a man) I incurred Mac's ill will by accidentally knocking down an old friend of his. He had it in for me, and when he made a stop would give me lots of trouble. I was front brakeman then, and tended to switches and couplings. Mac had seemingly reformed, as he had made no breaks for some time, and Jenkins cried out in horror when he saw me narrowly escape being crushed by a sudden crash of the cars while making a coupling. 'Mac's after you,' he said. Then he told me what to do and the old demon's plan. When Mac wanted to kill a man he would wait till he had been making a coupling. Then he would stop just near the place or come back too hard, till he got the brakeman rattled, and finally the man would stay in to put the pin down. Mac would come back slowly till he thought he had his victim, and then with a fiendish laugh and a full head he would send his engine back, and four times out of five would kill or maim his man. I was naturally scared, but tried to do my work as usual. He caught me once, but it was only a bruise. As I hobbled into the caboose, Jenkins put a 44-revolver in my hand and said: 'If he cripples you, kill him.' I only needed a few hours' rest and was able to work back with my crew. Mac was anxious to get home, and the way he kept his engine pulling up the grades as he climbed toward the Alleghenys crest was wonderful. We had side-tracked for an express (it was a moonlight night), and in trying to get out too quickly the train broke. With an oath I was directed to hurry and couple up. I did not hurry, and after several times backing up, Mac came with a rush and caught my arm, crushing it and taking off that finger. Summoning all my nerve I walked to the engine and told him that he must die, pulling my gun. The old man went down on his knees on the cab floor and prayed for my forgiveness, pleading an accident. He besought me in the name of his daughter, his only child, his Mary, for his life, and I relented. The boys carried me back and put me in the caboose, for I had fainted from the shock and loss of blood. He lived, but I never did any more work on that road."

The Watch on the Rhine.

A lady who had been abroad was describing some of the sights of her trip to a party of friends. "But what pleased me as much as any thing," she said, "was the wonderful clock at Strasburg." "Oh, how I would love to see it!" exclaimed a pretty young woman in pink. "I am so interested in such things. And did you see the celebrated watch on the Rhine?"

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BY THE WAY.

—Today will wind up the affairs of 1887.

—The present week has been a busy one in the churches.

—Skating at The Crescent this evening, and next Monday afternoon and evening.

—The public schools in this city and North Plainfield will reopen on Tuesday next.

—Monday, Jan. 2d, being a legal holiday, the post office will be closed for the day, after 10 o'clock a. m.

—On account of Monday being observed as New Year's no paper will be issued from this office on that day.

—The carriage factory of Hetfield & Jackson at Rahway was damaged to the extent of $15,000 by fire yesterday morning.

—At the Congregational church Sunday evening the pastor's subject will be: "A Happy New Year." The service begins at 7:45 o'clock.

—The ladies of the W. C. T. U. will receive the public generally at Reform Hall on Monday, day and evening. All are most cordially invited.

—The first regular meeting of the City Council will occur on Monday evening, but adjournment will probably be made until the following evening.

—Services to-morrow in Trinity Reformed church at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pastor's subject in the evening will be, "Prayer; Its Reality and Efficacy."

—A cow belonging to Wm. Boe, of Pearl street, North Plainfield, got loose in the stable on Thursday and died after eating about half a bushel of corn meal.

—The Crescent has been thoroughly heated, the floor polished and the little rollers well oiled, in preparation for skating this evening and next Monday afternoon and evening.

—A purse containing a small sum of money was lost last evening probably on Park avenue between Front and Eighth streets. If the finder will leave it at this office, he will be well rewarded.

—Monday next is the regular meeting night of the Exempt Firemen's Association of this city, but owing to that day being observed as a holiday, the meeting has been adjourned for one week.

—The papers in the Roll assault and battery case of Westfield, were sent to Elizabeth yesterday morning, for the Grand Jury to investigate at the opening of the January term of Court on next Tuesday.

—The praise service at Warren Mission chapel—which the many who attend, all find so enjoyable—will begin to-morrow evening at 7:30 o'clock. Devotional exercises to follow, will commence at eight, under the leadership of Mr. F. H. Gardner.

—No matter what ails you—from skin diseases to liver complaints—a medicated sulpher and vapor bath, followed by a thorough rubbing with alcohol, will help you. Mr. Hiram Hornish at No. 25 West Second street, has all conveniences and appliances for the purpose.

—The reading-room at the Public Library will be open as usual on Monday; but the circulation department will be closed. On and after Tuesday next the circulating department will be open every afternoon except Saturday, and on Saturday evenings at the same hours as at present.

—The Loan Exhibition of paintings, water colors, etc., and the Schoonmaker exhibition of porcelains, etc., at the Art Gallery, will be open on Monday from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., and from 7 to 10 p. m. The exhibition is a fine one and should be seen by all before it is scattered, as it soon will be.

—In a communication elsewhere, the Tobogganing Company—unlimited in means of sport—ask ex-communication from the censure of the public censors, upon the failure of last night's carnival to assume its promised assumptions. The *fete* met a sad fate because of certain bad luck that will be overcome next Wednesday evening.

—A horse belonging to a young man named Trust was driven from the yard adjoining Laing's Hotel this forenoon, when the animal attempted to run away. Turning into Front street the horse started on a run along the sidewalk and near the corner of Grove street an apparently inebriated man was knocked down, but uninjured. The driver was thrown from the open wagon, but received no serious injury.

Officers Elected.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE, K. OF P.

Perseverance Lodge, K. of P., of this city, held its regular semi-annual election last night, and the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing term:

C. C.—J. W. Ford.
V. C.—H. B. Drake.
P.—J. L. Holmes.
K. of R. S.—James Patterson.
M. of F.—J. B. Higgins.
M. of E.—J. H. Carney.
M. at A.—Joseph Blimm.
Trustee—C. Jones.
Rep. to G. L.—J. B. Higgins.
Alternate—C. Jones.

In "Good and Welfare," Bro. C. Jones delivered one of his characteristic addresses recounting the progress and success of the lodge during the past year, and predicting a greater success for the coming year. He then, by request, sang a "piano solo" that "brought down the house" and several of the members with it. A number of visiting brethren of Volunteer Lodge of Elizabeth were present, and entertained the brethren with some interesting remarks. Bro. Jones closed the order of business with a song, which was received with rapturous applause.

GOODWILL LODGE, K. OF P.

Goodwill Lodge, No. 101, K. of P., of Scotch Plains, last night elected the following officers to serve for the coming term:

C. C.—George H. Polhemus.
V. C.—George Kyte.
Prelate—Charles Haberle.
M. of E.—John Flannery.
M. of F.—August Kliemser.
K. of R. and S.—Frank Hosinger.
M. at A.—Joseph Dawe.
Rep. to G. L.—F. Hosinger.
Alternate.—J. E. Flannery.

Another Day's Record.

Copies of yesterday's PRESS may now be obtained at this office.

Although that issue was the greatest of any regular edition, we were compelled—with much satisfaction—to print an extra supply this morning.

We are to some extent much obliged for this patronage, and wish all our customers as prosperous a New Year as the Old one has been to THE PRESS.

But, at the same time, we are not so egotistically blind as to be unable to discern that many were purchasers of yesterday's paper, because it published exclusively complete accounts of the

Trinity Church Social Celebration of Christmas;

Organization of the U. S. Grant Republican Club;

Bethel Mission Festival;

Rev. W. R. Richard's lecture on "Amusements;"

Berean Class Entertainment;

Warren Mission Christmas Festivities;

Mt. Olive Baptist Sunday School Celebration;

And The Plainfield Gesang and Turn Verein Hop.

Our pitiful contemporary, the Plainfield Evening *Snooze*—which has of late displayed either a friendship we are ashamed of, or the droll disdain of the cat for the King—had but one item of local news that was not inaccurate or incomplete.

Duplicate accounts of the Yale Club dinner were sent both papers by the same hand, and were so published. Upon which the *Snooze* is to be congratulated—otherwise its columns would have been as bare of news as ever.

The Carnival Postponed.

EDITOR OF THE PRESS:—The Plainfield Tobogganing Co., desires to apologize for its unfortunate failure to Carnivalize last night. Its patrons were there, and the slide was in magnificient order, but the essential elements of a "carnival," the fire-works, the colored lights and the music were *non est*. The high winds destroyed the Japanese lanterns, the fireworks were not delivered, and the absence of the music on account of the cold, reminded one of the Munchausen story of the two men who spent an extremely cold Winter together in a hut in Northern latitudes. It was so cold that even their uttered language froze in the atmosphere and failed to reach the ear. It was not until the flowers bloomed that the words melted from out the circumambient air and *fell upon their astonished nerves.*

The flowers will not bloom on next Wednesday night, but we have arranged for a milder evening then, when the notes of the band can be heard. Colored glass lanterns will be substituted for Japanese paper, and there will be fire-works galore even if the entire directorship have to be burned at the stake to produce them.

The Company made such amends as it could, last night, by throwing open the doors free, and on Wednesday night there will be no charge for admission to anyone purchasing a "slide" ticket on entering.

THE PLAINFIELD TOBOGGANING CO.

—Several cases of diphtheria are reported in the city.

—Let us not borrow trouble, but rather enjoy the general prosperity that prevails in business circles and have a happy holiday season.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mr. C. G. Bristol, of Connecticut, is the guest of Mr. Herbert Peck of West Front street.

The Misses Estelle and Ethel Daniel have returned from a visit with friends in New York city.

The employees of THE PRESS office extend their thanks to A. M. Vanderbeek for samples of his "Long John" cigars.

Charles, a young son of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus K. Case of Ninth street, died this morning after a short illness from diphtheria.

Ex-Councilman Arthur T. Gallup left Plainfield suddenly, yesterday, for Norwich, Conn., summoned by a telegram bearing the sad news that his father was dying.

At Trenton, yesterday, Mr. C. E. Boss, Principal of the North Plainfield public school was elected a Director from the Fourth District, of the New Jersey State Teachers' Association.

Our car riers will call on you Monday with their first New Year's address. Then will be given an opportunity to fill them with gladness for serving you at all—and an opportunity to blow them up if they have not been regular or have failed to throw the paper up on the stoop.

A telegram was received from Col. Bain, of Kentucky, this morning, who was announced to speak in Reform Hall to-morrow evening, stating that on account of illness he would be unable to fulfill the engagement. Rev. Dr. Hurlbut it is expected, will speak in his place.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Schermerhorn returned home yesterday, after a pleasant visit of about three weeks at Vicksburg, Miss., and other points of interest in the South, during which time they were the guests of their son, Charles, Jr., who is now in charge of the Natchez Water Works. They report having had a delightful trip. Mr. Schermerhorn secured in New Orleans a six-months-old alligator, which he has kindly presented to THE PRESS.

By steamer on Tuesday next, Mr. P. B. Wright of this city will leave for Jacksonville, Fla., where he has connected himself in a business way—for a short Winter season—with the Winsor Hotel of that city. Mr. Wright's experience in hotel management, and the efficiency he has shown during past Summers at the Hotel Netherwood and the Coleman House, Asbury Park, have brought him prominently forward in the upper circle of the profession.

A quiet wedding took place at West Dunellen on Wednesday evening, uniting in wedlock Miss Lizzie S. Vail, daughter of Mr. Emmor K. Vail and Mr. James S. Bell of New York State. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's father at six p. m., and was according to the established custom of Friends. About forty of the relatives and immediate friends of the bride and groom, witnessed the novel and interesting ceremony, and after a substantial supper was served, the newly-married couple left on an early train to take up their residence in New York city.

A Great Character.

Next Tuesday evening at Music Hall, W. J. Florence reappears in a new character to the Plainfield public. Its success in New York is thus told in the *Sun*: "The second play of Mr. Florence's season at the Star, 'Dombey & Son,' was given Saturday evening. His impersonation of *Capt. Cuttle* is admittedly his distinguishing contribution to the history of the American stage, increased in renown, as it is, by association with the name of Dickens. The dramatization is perhaps the best from Dickens' works of the contemporaneous stage, retaining admirably all the pathos, dreariness and drollery of the original description. *Capt. Cuttle* Saturday evening seemed played by Mr. Florence absolutely without an effort. It was as natural as art could be. No appearance of exertion, no sign of strain or endeavor. There is a supreme mastery and quiet self-possession about his acting which compels you to complacently watch his every action with keen enjoyment.

They Tasted Fine.

Yesterday in these columns, we wondered how those Florida oranges in the window of Doane's jewelry store would taste in this kind of weather. Today we know, but not because of the same reason the darkey possessed who knew that the Lord helped those who helped themselves, "cuz when her prayed fer der chickin ter cum ter her, hit never cum; but when her prayed fer der Lord ter sen' her after der chickin, her allus got one."

They'll Reap a Glorious Reward.

The charitable and christian ladies who so enriched the general fund of the Warren Mission chapel with an unexpected Christmas gift of $18, at the festival of Thursday evening, compose the "Mother's Class" of the school, of which Mr. George Belcher is the teacher. Like the "widow's mite" of old, this donation is more blessed than the greater ones from richer sources.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Many Bills Audited—Reports from City Officers—The Office of Health Inspector Declared Vacant—Other Details.

The final meeting of the City Council for the year 1887 was held last evening. President Marsh called the meeting to order at 8:15 p. m. and the roll call showed the following Councilmen present: Messrs. Carey, Cox, Dumont, Dunham, Taylor, Waring and Wilbur. Messrs. Bowers, Simpson and Voorhees were absent. The minutes of the previous meetings, regular and adjourned, were read and approved. Claims were presented and referred as follows: John A. Thickstun $43.95; Wm. G. Morse, $64.50; D. S. Cole, $16; David Hand, $183; J. H. Kenyon, $9; N. Runyon, $20; B. Richter, $5; K. Conway, $4; Abram M. Vail, $35; T. J. Pruden, $30; W. R. Jennings, $10; Kate A. Hartpence, $14; M. A. Cooper, $22; J. B. Bulmer, $4.50; B. Guttman, Agt., $12; B. Hickey, $4; Hetfield Bros., $19.49; Geo. A. Bayard, $57.15, and $14.35; Township of Westfield, $92; Muhlenberg Hospital, $225; *Times* Printing and Publishing Co., $3; W. L. Force & Bro., $16; J. B. Miller & Bro., $40; P. Flynn, Jr., $27; A. M. Griffin, $2.55; Jones & Co., $12; Plainfield Electric Light Co., $340; Plainfield Gas Co., $21; Job Male, $78.75; T. W. Morrison, $70.10; John Johnson, $252 and $977.40; E. H. Bird, $36; A. Titsworth, $91; J. J. Sharp, $40; A. D. Jennings, $18; J. H. Wilson, $315.97; S. R. Pope, $202.40; J. H. Platt, $25; W. V. Mundy, $28.62; Geo. M. Angleman, $43.40 and $333; J. B. Butterworth, $10; Schwed Bros., $10; M. Bird, $62.50; F. A. Dunham, three claims, $6, $22.96 and $94.88; Jacob Blimm, $12.22; Adams & Ayers, $23; P. J. Flannigan, $5.25; P. Lynch, $60; O. B. Leonard, $75; N. Y. and N. J. Globe Gaslight Co., $169.49; Geo. Grant, $60; T. J. Carey, $37.50; M. Estil, $19.38; Coward & Murray, $24; W. L. Force & Bro., $69.40; *Times* Printing and Publishing Co., $19; Geo. W. Rockfellow, $30.24; T. J. Carey, $10.07; C. A. Marsh, $18.95. All of the above bills, except those elsewhere referred to, and a number of other claims presented at a previous meeting were subsequently returned from the various committees and transferred to the Auditing Committee for final passage.

The monthly reports of the treasurer and collector were read, referred to the Finance Committee, and subsequently returned as correct, and ordered on file.

The Collector's report showed the following

RECAPITULATION:

Total State and County Collections	$30,130.91
Judgments	1.80
Library	1,704.34
City	14,966.10
Poor	2,378.58
Cost and Int. city less School Int.	30.62
Total amount taxes collected and paid City Treasurer	49,212.35
City School tax Deposited to credit Board of Education	12801.00
Interest on school tax deposited to credit Board of Education	8.64
Total am't dept. to credit B'd Ed'n.	12,809.64
Total receipts for Dec. 1887	$62,021.99

JOHN JOHNSON, Collector.

Councilman Cox presented the bond of Constable Amos Moffett, with the names of Edward P. Thorn and W. R. Codington attached as sureties; also the Collector's bond, with John Ross, Levi Hetfield and Andrew Love as sureties. These documents were referred to the Finance Committee, and later referred back by Mr. Cox of said committee with the recommendation that the papers be referred to the Corporation Counsel, to be reported on by him at the next meeting. The report was received and recommendation adopted.

Street Commissioner Angleman presented his yearly statement. It showed a total expenditure for work on the streets, including cost of spreading cracked stone, of $7,176.52; of this amount $510 was expended for cutting down Cole's hill. To this amount, ($7,176.52) must be added $2,166.04 for crushed stone used on the streets, being for stone furnished on about 6,000 lineal feet of new work and for stone used in repairing the surface on former work. Including other expenses, the total expenditure for the year was $10,676.01. The report was received and filed.

The quarterly report of the Overseer of the Poor, presented at a former meeting, and a report from Health Inspector Platt, were read; the former was ordered filed, and the latter was referred by Mr. Dumont to the New Health Board.

Corporation Counsel C. A. Marsh presented his semi-annual report of the cases now pending in the Supreme Court, in which the city is a part. It was filed.

Mr. Waring, from the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee, made a statement, concerning the bills of the Electric Light Company. He said the service had proved unsatisfactory, and notwithstanding the fact that the company had made a reduction in each of the bills, the light was of an inferior quality; he said that in view of the fact that Mr. Bowers, the Chairman of the Committee had received a satisfactory explanation for the defective service, he would return as correct the company's claim. Mr. Cox's motion to lay the bills on the table was lost, and the committee's report was then received and the bills sent to the Auditing Committee.

Rule 30 was suspended to allow one member to make a report, and Mr. Waring, from the Committee on Printing, reported back as correct the above claims for advertising.

Mr. Dumont returned the bill of S. R. Pope for crushed stone. He said the Committee knew nothing about it, and the Street Commissioner was not present to explain matters. It was tabled. He also offered a resolution which prevailed, declaring vacant the office of the Health Inspector.

At this juncture of the proceedings a petition was read from property owners on East Second street, between Richmond and Berckman streets, asking the Council to substitute incandescent street lighting for the oil lamps now in use. The matter was laid over for the new Council to act upon.

Councilman Cox offered the following resolution eulogizing President Marsh, and it was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council are due to its President, Francis E. Marsh, for the manner in which he has discharged the responsible duties of his office. He has been at all times fair and impartial in his rulings, and has conducted the business of the Council with unmistakable intelligence and ability. We take pleasure in publicly recognizing the genuine value of his services.

In presenting the foregoing resolution, Mr. Cox said he took pleasure in so doing, not only as a matter of form, but he could conscientiously do it.

President Marsh responded in a few telling remarks, in which he took occasion to thank every member of the Council for the aid and assistance given him throughout the year. The Chair, he said, had reason to feel proud of the courtesy shown him in his rulings; the Council of '87 as it goes forth from this room to-night has reason to congratulate itself upon the excellent work achieved during the year—a record which every member should feel proud of. In conclusion he wished the members a Happy New Year.

The report of the Finance Committee showed that $30,627.51 had been collected from licenses, delinquent taxes, etc. There are still $22,186.99 outstanding for delinquent taxes from 1881 to 1886 inclusive. The expenditures, after deducting $387.54 contributed by property owners towards macadamizing LaGrande avenue have been as follows:

Street lighting	$5,104.60
Water and Sewer survey	672.00
Salaries and Collector's fees	4,140.02
Election expenses	557.00
Police salaries and uniforms	3,110.40
Special Detective	1,102.50
Street repairs, etc	6,749.55
Cracked stone	2,011.07
Printing	407 65
Rent and Sundries	904.57
Total	$24,759.36

The expenditures on account of Poor Fund amounted to $557.18 for 1886 and $3,724.90 for this year. The balance now in the hand of the treasurer is $14,480.96; against which there is a note for $3,000 and warrants amounting to $5,291.54 outstanding.

The Chair called for the treasurer's yearly statement, but the clerk said it had not been presented; Mr. Marsh said the treasurer has not performed his duty, as the report should have been ready by the second Tuesday in December.

Mr. Dumont made a motion that the City Clerk call the attention of the treasurer to the fact that the time for making his yearly report is part due, and request him to have the same ready for the first meeting of the new Council. Mr. Cox amended the motion in effect that this Council very much regret dissolving without having an opportunity to examine the treasurer's report. The motion as amended was adopted.

The engrossed ordinance relating to liquor licenses was called from the table by Mr. Wilbur, and passed on its third reading.

An ordinance relating to the duties of the Street Commissioner was taken from the table and adopted on its third reading.

Mr. Taylor, from the Auditing Committee, returned the bills presented during the evening, in addition to a batch of claims presented at the last meeting, with the recommendation that the same be paid. Warrants were ordered drawn for the payment thereof.

The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

Invite Every Young Man You Know.

The co-operation of the friends of the Y. M. C. A. is desired to bring into the rooms on New Year's day as many as possible of the young men of the city. A mistaken notion exists among many that the Association is merely intended in a designing manner to draw young men to religious meetings. A visit to the rooms on New Year's will satisfy all of the social, intellectual and enjoyable nature of the gatherings of the Association. Every member should be thinking up a list of acquaintances whom he can invite to accompany him to the rooms and enjoy the music, and partake of the refreshments supplied and served from two to ten p. m., by the Reception Committee and some of the many ladies interested in our work.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

FRIGHTFUL RAILROAD WRECK.

MEADVILLE, PA., Dec. 31—Train No. 8 from the West, running at the rate of fifty miles an hour, collided with a "double header" freight train at eight o'clock this morning, on the New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio Railroad. The entire passenger train is a total wreck, and forty people are reported killed. All the physicians in the city and several hundred citizens have gone to the scene by a special train.

WASHINGTONVILLE.

Mr. Walter Burghmiller, of Newark, spent Christmas with his parents.

Miss Della McIntyre, of New York, is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Leanisen.

Mrs. Elias Allen is spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Stephen Beeching, at Basking Ridge.

Mr. Wm. Simmons and his sister, Miss Jennie, are spending the holidays at Spring Valley, New York, with their relatives.

A German, known by the name of Fritz, who has been working in the brick yard of Edward Mercier, died suddenly at the home of his employer, Wednesday. He was attacked with hemorrhage of the lungs, to which he succumbed. His brother and sister, who reside in New York, were notified.

Mr. and Mrs. Bullman tendered to their friends a variety wedding last evening, it being the anniversary of their marriage. There was a large number of guests in attendance, who brought many valuable, as well as useful presents. After partaking of a sumptuous repast the party broke up, all wishing the host and hostess many happy anniversaries.

Mr. Carl Minegar has disposed of his farm to a company of New York capitalists for $4,000. They have been experimenting with the clay, of which the farm consists, and find that it makes superior brick to the famous Haverstraw brick, so much used. The company will go to work in the Spring, or as soon as the weather will permit, the intention being to send the brick to New York.

The Sunday school held its Christmas festival Monday evening at the school house. The exercises consisted of singing Christmas hymns and recitations by members of the school. Two recitations in particular were well received, one by Master John Mobus and the other by Miss Hattie French, a young miss three years of age. Each little girl was presented with a doll and a package of sweets, while the boys received games and a boot of candy. Those in the audience also received a plate of cream, cake and an orange. The Superintendent Mr. E. L. Bonny in a few well chosen words thanked the school for the handsome oil painting presented to him, and after extending an invitation to all present who are not regular attendants at any other school to attend this one. He wished all present a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. After singing "Blest be the tie that binds" the audience dispersed. Miss Nettie Beeching presided at the organ in her usual efficient manner. During the evening Miss Georgie Spencer sang a solo which was well rendered.

Returns from the W. R. C. Bazaar.

A regular meeting of Winfield Scott Relief Corps No. 10 of this city was held last evening. The Executive Committee made a report on the financial result of the late bazaar which was received. It was as follows:

Total receipts	$725.99
Disbursements	299.72
Balance	$426.27

This excellent result is a commendable showing on the part of the Executive Committee, which included the following ladies: Mrs. S. C. Terry, Chairman; Mrs. H. C. Drake, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. J. Rittenhouse, Mrs. Robt. Walker. Mrs. Drake who kindly consented to act as a member of the committee performed her duties with accuracy, and proves that she is a worthy member.

The American Rose.

Mrs. James Brown Potter at Music Hall this evening, will—we beg permission to say—be supported by Mr. Kyrlie Bellew and Mr. Harry Lee. This is as important to lovers of dramatic art, as her graceful presence. The sale of seats has been large and surely a full house will result. They tell us that this American Rose has succeeded to the throne recently occupied by the Jersey Lily. Whether so, we believe Mrs. Potter to be the better actress, just as pretty, more refined and the owner of equally handsome costumes.

—Man is often ungrateful, ungallant and unappreciative but whoever saw a man sit on the floor to take off his shoes provided of course he is sober.

THE READING STRIKERS

ONE ORDER WHICH WAS NOT OBEYED.

The Philadelphia Knights Say They Will Strike To-day and Trouble is Therefore Expected.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—The situation in this city has radically changed during the night, and it now seems probable that very few Knights of Labor will return to work on the Reading railroad to-day. All the nine local assmblies in the city met in the night, and it was decided that all should strike except the men in the passenger service, track-walkers and signal tower men. Delegates from all the local assemblies afterward met at the headquarters of Local Assembly No. 5,890, where a great meeting was in progress. The men were excited over the fact that the company yesterday discharged all the Philadelphia delegates to the Reading convention, including Master Workman Gleason of No. 5,890. A bitter fight seems inevitable.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—The order for a strike issued at five o'clock yesterday morning by the convention at Reading fell utterly flat in this city. The strike was no bigger yesterday than it was tue day before, the business of the Reading road going along smoothly. All the freight and passenger trains were being run over the Germantown and Manayunk branches. Appearances in the neighborhood did not indicate that there was anything unusual in the workings of the road. The full complement of men were apparently at work, and the ordinary amount of bustle was going on. At the Broad and Callowhill streets depot, however, matters were somewhat quiet, owing to the absence of the numerous shifting engines. At Broad street the outgoing and incoming passenger trains were all running on time, and no interruptions occurred. Between Fifteenth and Eighteenth streets three shifters were at work and two more were further up the road.

The action of the Reading convention ordering a general strike was received in this city yesterday morning. While the order does not include the passenger train service and signal-tower men, street crossing men, flagmen, and track-walkers, it is left to the discretion of the local assemblies as to whether the switchmen shall be allowed to work or not.

The officials of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, employed on the Reading road, received a telegram from the secretary of the National organization, in which they were told that the officers advised against the members of the order joining in the strike of the Knights of Labor, and that should they do so against this advice, they would receive neither support nor aid from the organization at large. A despatch from Tamaqua was shown to members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers at Ninth and Green streets yesterday morning, which was to the effect that the train dispatcher of the Reading road at Tamaqua had received a message from the Brotherhood employes of the Lehigh Valley Railroad offering the services of as many engineers as he might require to run that branch of the service.

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 31.—To-day ten employes of the Reading railroad left their positions on shifters of freight trains at the round-house and three at Bridgeport. All were promptly discharged and their places filled. Thirty more applicants were ready to go to work. Assistant Superintendent Bossert of this division brought twenty men from Philadelphia and took down delayed freight, Bossert acting as conductor himself. Assembly No. 9,941 held a meeting yesterday afternoon.

WILLIAMSPORT, Dec. 31.—The Reading employes at this point were at work yesterday afternoon and freight trains were moving as usual.

SHAMOKIN, Dec. 31.—The order to strike had no discernible effect here.

The Fight a Draw.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Jack Doughtery of Philadelphia and "Billy" Van Dorn of Saratoga, fought a hard battle of sixteen rounds last night in an uptown resort. The first round Van Dorn opened, sending a left-hander on Dougherty's ribs. Dougherty countered with a swinging right on Van Dorn's nose, drawing a stream of blood. Van Dorn acted on the defensive until time was called. From the second to the fifth round it was nip and tuck, until the end of the fifth, when Van Dorn back-heeled his man throwing him heavily on his back. The fight lasted one hour and a-half and was declared a draw.

His Feet Gave Him Away.

BUFFALO, Dec. 31.—On Wednesday night the drygoods store of H. B. Miller & Bro., at East Aurora, was entered and $1,800 stolen from the safe. Suspicion pointed to John Nelson, a former watchman for the firm. Yesterday a man's footprints in the snow, which fit Nelson's feet exactly, were traced to a blacksmith shop, and a diligent search revealed the money hidden in a grain bin. Nelson was arrested to-day.

Chicago Mills to Resume Work.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—An authoritative announcement is made of the fact that the extensive works of the North Chicago Mill company, which have been closed for some time, will be reopened in about two weeks, and that over 200 additional mechanics, besides the large force of the company, will be given employment.

At the Point of Revolvers.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 31.—Four armed and masked men entered the postoffice at Finleyville, fifteen miles from here, and at the point of revolvers compelled the clerk to open the safe, which contained $600 in cash and fifty dollars worth of postage stamps.

Officer and Convict Kill Each Other.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 31.—Ben Shepard, Marshall of Midville, went Thursday night to seek an escaped negro convict, who fired his pistol at the Marshal. Mr. Shepard fired three times and the convict fell mortally wounded. The Marshal was also killed.

A Family Decimated by Diphtheria.

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Dec. 31.—George Scott buried two children in one grave here yesterday. Two weeks ago he buried his youngest child. Two other children are also sick, while his wife is lying at death's door. All are victims of diphtheria.

He Wants No Whisky Tax.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 31.—Senator Chace, in a speech at a temperance meeting last night, advocated the abolition of the whisky tax as ineffective and as inconsistent with the prohibitory doctrine.

Court and Judge Step Out Together.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 31.—Judge Mann stepped down yesterday from the County Court bench, which he has occupied with honor for fourteen years. With his retirement the court ceases to exist.

STORMS ON LAND AND SEA

A DREADFUL NIGHT OFF A ROCKY COAST.

Good Work By a Life-Saving Crew Along the Marine Coast—The Weather in the West Moderates.

PORTLAND, Dec. 31.—Reports of the awful storm along the wild Maine coast continue to come in. On Thursday night off this section of the country, the air was freezing cold and the almost unprecedented gale which struck in last Wednesday roared on in all its fury. The sea rose like hills of water, and the famous Cape Elizabeth coast, with its cliffs and rocky tongues of land, was lashed white with icy spray. The life saving crews patrolled with renewed vigilance.

The brig Hyperion, Capt. Henley, with coal from Philadelphia to Portland, got as far as the Cape coast, with hopes of getting into port in the night, but the gale was too much for her. A tremendous blast of wind suddenly struck her, snapping her main boom as though it were a reed. Then the fortopmast staysail went and the jib was torn into ribbons. The crew were unable to manage the vessel and it was finally decided to cast anchor. All night the brig weathered the gale, her decks and rigging being washed, and ice making all over her.

In the morning she was seen eight miles out by the observatory lookout, and the revenue cutter Dallas, which happened to be in port, was sent to her aid. The task of getting a hawser to the vessel was very hard, but after much work, it was accomplished. It was impossible to raise the brig's anchor, as the windlass was a huge mass of ice, so the anchor and seventy-five fathoms of chain was lost. As the vessel came into the harbor she presented a fantastic appearance, seeming like a phantom ship. It was one of the hardest and most dangerous rescues of the year.

Four sailors were badly frostbitten and the rest of the crew completely exhausted. The men could have held out but a few hours longer.

MACHIAS, Me., Dec. 31.—The gale of Wednesday night last is said by experienced seamen to have been the heaviest experienced in this section since 1869. At Jonesport a large number of vessels were ashore, and four were stranded on Pig Island. No bad wrecks are reported, but all were more or less seriously damaged. Several had their foremasts carried away. Houses were damaged and barns unroofed in several shore towns.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Dec. 31.—The northwest gale still prevailed last night. The steamer Storm King of Boston carried mails and passengers of Vineyard across the Sound yesterday afternoon, the regular steamboats not being able to run.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 31.—Within the last 24 hours the temperature has risen 24 degrees and at 7 o'clock yesterday morning the thermometer stood at zero. It continued to rise nearly all day. Throughout the northwest almost as great a change took place, while in some sections there was a change of 38 degress. A driving snow storm set in here at 10 o'clock yesterday, morning and is still raging Lieutenant Woodruff, indications officer located here, says the storm was central in Nebraska in the afternoon, and was moving eastward fifty miles an hour, the snow belt extending from Calgarry, N. W. T., to St. Louis. By to-day the storm will reach the Ohio valley, and will be felt in the extreme east by to-night.

Heavy snow is indicated for Minnesota, Dakota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas, Nebaska, Illinois and northern Indiana and Ohio. It will cease here by to-night, and be followed by a cold wave. The snow has drifted heavily, and trains are delayed all over the northwest. The Northern Pacific eastbound limited arrived at Jamestown eleven hours late. All trains on the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern have been abandoned. At Bismarck snow began to fall early this morning, and has continued steadily since. Trains from all directions arriving here were very late this morning. All night trains have been abandoned.

RONDOUT, Dec. 31.—The cold wave and blizzard which struck the Hudson river valley Thursday night continued yesterday. The thermometer fell over twenty degrees. Thursday night a terrific gale swept over the Catskills, ahd many small buildings were unroofed. The river from this point north is frozen over in a few places, and men have been busy all day staking ice fields. Ice is being harvested from the inland lakes and ponds from eight to thirteen inches in thickness.

FARMINGTON, Dec. 31.—Ten inches of snow fell here Thursday, and yesterday has been bitter cold, with high winds. Last night the thermometer is twelve degrees below zero, and is still falling.

HE RISES FROM HIS COFFIN.

Singular Case of a Twelve-year-Old Boy Supposed to be Dead.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 31.—A queer case is reported from Clearwater, this state, in which a twelve-year-old boy, by the name of Willie Baxter, was the principal actor. After a brief illness with diphtheria, Willie died, as his parents supposed, and the body was prepared for the grave. Arrangements were made for the funeral, which was to have been held yesterday.

Wednesday evening, while the family were at tea, they were horrified when the boy came walking into the room dressed in the clothes he wore when he was taken sick. He announced to his paralyzed parents that he had concluded not to die then.

Willie seemed to have completely recovered from his sickness and was as cheerful as ever. Yesterday, while talking with his mother in the sitting room, the boy suddenly fell from his chair to the floor and expired. Physicians declare the boy dead this time surely, but the parents have decided not to inter the remains until death is proven beyond a doubt.

By the Aid of the Cable.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Two young men were arrested on the steamer Cephalonia, which arrived from Liverpool yesterday, in compliance with a cablegram stating that they had absconded with $900 with which they had been intrusted by the verty of the town of Shoreditch, Eng. They confessed, and gave up $780 of the money to the officers. They will be held to await the arrival of an English officer.

Funeral of the Rev. William Powell.

NASHAU, N. H., Dec. 31.—The funeral of the Rev. William Powell, D. D., of Brooklyn, New York, took place in the Pilgrim church yeterday. The attendants was large and the floral offerings were many. Addresses were made by the Rev. Cyrus Richarson, the Kev. C. P. Mills and the Rev. Dr. Struby.

Dugan Knocked Out by Harding.

TROY, Dec. 31.—Con Dugan, of Brooklyn was knocked out by Jack Harding, of Philadelphia, in a desperate twenty round fight, which took place near here early yesterday morning.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 30, 1887.

Bennett, Miss Maggie A	Kerry, John H.
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Dunn, Miss Nellie	Munan, James
Epo, Miss Emma A.(3)	Newton, Mrs. N.
Grey, Eleanor	Nssh, Capt. R. N.
Holmes, Miss Marjorie	Perken, Mrs, Chas.
Holmes, Mrs. L. H.	Patterson, G. W.
Hamilton, Mrs. Jennie	Pittinger, Rev.
Hoffman, Jacob	Plttinger, Rev. Wm.
Hann, John	Smith, D. B.
Jacques, Wm. S.	Smith. Mrs. Sue
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BRICK! BRICK!! BRICK!!!—The report having been circulated in Plainfield that there were no SOMERVILLE BRICK to be had, the public are hereby notified that we have a large stock of *first-class brick* on hand, which we are selling at the lowest market prices. ROSS' Brick-Yard, Somerville, N. J. 12-20-tf

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12-16-tf

HUMAN TIGARS LYNCHED

A FAMILY OF MURDERERS SUFFER THE DEATH PENALTY.

Mother and Daughter are Shot—The Son is Hanged But the Father Makes Good His Escape.

WICHITA, Kan. Dec. 31.—Swift and awful retribution has overtaken the Kelley family. They were summarily despatched by a posse of incensed citizens in Texas, fifty miles south of Oak City, the scene of their atrocious crimes. The murders of the many travelers who, while seated at their table, were precipitated through a trapdoor into a sub-celler and then foully done to death are now avenged.

It was ascertained that the fugitives had taken a southward course, and the pursuers started on their trail. The posse had traveled only a very short distance before they discovered that they were on the right track, and their efforts were rewarded by finding the parties they were after.

The family was found in camp. The first call for a surrender was a signal to battle, for the Kelleys made a desperate resistance, fighting like tigers. The mother and daughter were shot to death, but the old man escaped. The son, Bill, was captured and promptly strung up.

Lewis Duncan, a sheep and cattle man, living near the southern border of Kansas, in speaking of the death of this notorious family, says:

The crimes for which the Kelley family paid the penalty have been already published.

The Kelleys were believed to be respectable, honest and harmless people, and their ranch being on the public road travellers stopped there almost every day to get something to eat or perhaps a night's lodging. The family consisted of Kelley, his wife, one son and a daughter, both grown up. Although illiterate they were certainly cleanly and evidently industrious.

The news of their bloody work was first brought to the outside world by Mr. Charles Randolph, of Chicago, who gives the following account of the finding of three bodies in the basement of the house:

"The residence", he said, "is located ten miles from Oak City, in No-Man's-Land and is a dugout with one room in it. In the centre of the floor they had constructed a trapdoor, which opened into a basement underneath. Their practice seems to have been to sound their victim and ascertain as far as possible the extent of his cash in hand. Then they deliberately, it seems, prepared to dispose of him. Either the father or the son, or in some cases, the daughter, who was not a bad-looking girl carried on a conversation with the guest, while the mother prepared the meal.

"Everything being ready for the sacrifice, the victim was seated at the table, his chair being placed on the trap. At the signal given the spring was touched, and the unhappy traveller would be thrown down into the basement, where in the dark, if the fall did not break his neck, he would be despatched at pleasure. This is supposed to have been the modus operandi, for no one is known to have ever escaped from their clutches.

"For several months," contined Mr. Randolph, "mysterious disappearances have been quite common in the vicinity of Oak City. But although they had caused considerable comment, no attempt was made to trace the missing persons, their absence being attributed to the bullet of a highwayman or desperado. No suspicion, so far as I could learn, was ever directed to the Kelley family, and when they, too, disappeared, nothing was thought of it."

But a week or so later a number of men, by mere accident, happened to enter the deserted dugout. When they opened the door they were almost knocked down by the sickening stench which met their nostrils. There was nothing in the room except the stench to excite suspicion, and they were rather mystified until one of them noticed the trap door. It was but the work of a moment to throw up the trap procure a light and enter the dungeon of death. Almost underneath the hole through which the Kelleys allowed their victims to drop was the body of a man. He had doubtless been killed by the fall. Continuing the search the astounded explorers found two other bodies in advanced stages of decay. Returning to Oak City they reported their find.

This was as far as the investigation had been carried when Mr. Randolph left that part of the country. But last Saturday Mr. S. T. Gregg, a drummer for a St. Louis house, who was direct from Oak City, gave the particulars of further discoveries which entitles the Kelleys to the first place in the list of fiendish and atrocious murderers.

"I have stopped at the Kelley house a number of times to get meals," said Mr. Gregg, "but I never saw anything suspicious in the actions of the family. I was there about the 10th of November and missed them, but it was not until my last trip that I heard of their crimes. It seems that after the finding of the three bodies in the basement a large party was organized to look for other victims. A short distance from the hut was a stable and buried underneath this they found the bodies of four other persons, one of them being that of a woman. The ground for rods around was then dug into near the barn at a depth of about three feet. A body was found which was supposed to be that of a man by the name of J. S. Taylor, who had been missing for some time.

The Fire Caught Him in Bed.

LOWELL, Mass., Dec. 31.—Fire early today destroyed two upper stories of two large tenement blocks in Middlesex street, owned by Daniel Fitzgerald and Davis & Sargent. Loss, $3,500; partly insured. Frank Gelderi, a lodger, who was asleep in an upper room, did not awake until his limbs were badly burned, and he was almost suffocated. He was taken down on a ladder, after cutting his hands severely by breaking the windows.

Boston is a Moral City.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The *Evening Record* says the reports of lawlessness in this city are unfounded. The police records show that the whole number of burglaries, robberies and larcencies reported to the police in November and December, 1886, was 245, and for the same time this year was 228, while the arrests for November and December, 1886, numbered 214, and for the same time this year numbered 234.

The Glenwood Silk Mill Assigns.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 31.—O. G. Webster and A. S. King, proprietors of the Glenwood Silk Mill at East Hampton, have assigned to E. T. Sawyer, C. G. Landon & Co., of Norg, commission agents, have a claim of $29,000 but Webster & King claim that a balance of $6,000 is due the silk company.

They Would Not Stand a Cut.

SANDWICH, Mass., Dec. 31.—The Boston Sandwich Glass Company's Works here will shut down Monday owing to the refusal of the workers to accept a proposed reduction of pay.

TWO MURDERERS HANGED.

The One Killed His Brother, the Other His Friend.

HARRISONBURG, Va., Dec. 31.—Wm. Finchum was hanged here at 11:55 o'clock yesterday. Religious services were held in his cell, but there were no services at the scaffold. The condemned man said to the minister that he was willing and ready to die and had no statement to make. At the scaffold, in reply to the Sheriff's interogation, "Have you any remarks to make?" he replied, "I have not." Thirteen minutes after the drop fell Finchum was pronounced dead.

The crime for which Finchum was hanged was the murder of his brother, Preston Finchum, March 10, 1886. Preston's body was found in the woods with a gunshot wound in the head and the skull crushed. Suspicion pointed to William Finchum and he was arrested and convicted of murder in the first degree. An appeal to the State Supreme Court failed to reverse this judgment and Finchum was sentenced to be hanged December 16, but a respite from Gov. Lee extended his time two weeks longer.

When arrested on the charge of murdering his brother he showed the greatest indifference and brutal unconcern when his brother's body was brought home. He kept up this appearance throughout his whole trial, which lasted four days, and until two months ago, when he broke down and made a full confession of the crime and the manner in which he committed it. He had prearrenged the meeting in the woods with his brother, and sent him for brandy for the purpose of making him drunk, and also to nerve himself for the horrible deed. When Preston got so drunk as to be partially oblivious of what was going on, William shot him in the head. He then clubbed him several times, crushing his skull. He attributed his crime to his intimacy with his dead brother's wife, and conceived the idea of murder and carried it out so that he might be more secure in that intimacy.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—A special from Marianna, Ark., to the *Post Dispatch* says: "Albert Peters was hanged here at 11 o'clock yesterday morning for the murder of William Johnson, near Trenton, this county, in April, 1885. Peters had twice escaped and was recaptured. The execution was private."

Messenger Grimshaw's Reward.

SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 31.—Local Agent Marseman, of the Pacific Express company, has received a letter from Superintendent Fuller, of St. Louis, instructing him to convey to Messenger Grimshaw the thanks of his employers for his gallantry at Stringtown, Indian Territory, and for his loyalty to the company upon the occasion of the train robbery at that station. Inclosed in the letter was a check for $500 payable to the order of "John Grimshaw or bearer." Baggage Master Sparrow who rendered the messenger valuable service in the battle with the train robbers, also received thanks of Superintendent Fuller, and a check for $250.

Victims of the Rochester Explosions.

ROCHESTER, Dec. 31.—Mrs. John Lee, one of the victims of the naptha explosions, has begun an action for $5,000 damages against the Vacuum Oil Company. At the inquest over the victims of the explosions, C. M. Everest, Treasurer of the Vacuum Oil Company, testified that the company had obtained permission from the state authorities to place the pipe line in the bed of the canal. Engineers Evershed and Bisgood, however, said no application of the kind had been made, and, furthermore, that they had no power to grant it.

Another Claimant for the Kenealy Money.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 31.—In addition to the children of Dr. Kenealy, barrister, for the fortune of one hundred and forty thousand pounds, said to be in the state treasury of New York, left by William Kenealy to an orphanage which was reversed by the courts, is Michael Kenealy, of this city. He says Dr. Kenealy was the son of William Kenealy, the uncle of Michael, whose grandchildren claim the estate. He claims to be one degree nearer of kin to the decendent than those claimants.

Barnum Gets the Arabs.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The entire Arab fantasia, together with other property of the Paris Hippodrome, has been purchased by P. T. Barnum for his Americon show. Erastus Wiman, of New York, recently offered the Paris Hippodrome a guarantee of $100,000 for a hundred-day engagement on Staten Island, but the offer was declined. In view of this Mr. Barnum has been obliged to pay an enormous price for the Arabs, but is satisfied that he has made a great bargain.

Wants to Be Governor of Illinois.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Gen. McNulty, one of the Gubernatorial aspirants, has left here for New York, where he will pay to the bondholders of the Wabash railroad about $565,000 interest on their bonds now due. The General says that after his return he will devote himself more actively to the campaign for the governership, and at the same time not lose sight of the interests of the road for which he is acting as receiver.

Down a Steep Embankment.

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 31.—Yesterday about 10 miles from Bellwood, on the Clearfield and Jefferson railroad, the last car of the eastern express, containing twenty passengers, went off the track at a broken rail and down an embankment 100 feet high, turning over five times in the descent. John Keller was fatally injured. No one else was seriously hurt.

December's Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The treasury statements for December will not be issued until Tuesday, but it is approximately stated that the government's revenues for the calendar year about to close are three hundred and eighty-two million dollars, compared to three hundred and fifty million dollars for the calendar year 1886.

Shipbuilding in Bath.

BATH, Me., Dec. 31.—During the year 1887 five steamers, one bark, twelve schooners and three sloops have been built in the Bath customs district, having a total tonnage of 11,750, an increase of 1,363 tons over last year. Eight vessels of about 5,000 tons are now on the stocks.

Mr. Hallett Denies the Charges.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The United States Commissioner, Hallett, of this city, whose official actions have been severely criticised by an agent of the Government, states that he courts the fullest investigation. He makes a general denial of all charges.

The Pumper Was Burned to Death.

LIMA, O., Dec. 31.—A natural gas explosion yesterday morning destroyed an oil derrick and the tanks. The pumper, Jere O'Neil, was burned to death.

A WEALTHY PLANTER LYNCHED.

Hanged By a Mob For Killing His Wife and Her Betrayer.

ST. FRANCES, Ark., Dec. 31.—Wm. Herrig, a wealthy planter, who murdered his young wife and Wm. Matthewson, with whom he believed she had been on terms of intimacy, near this place last Tuesday, was hanged Thursday night by a band of vigilantes. Herrig had long been jealous of the attentions of Matthewson to his wife and ordered him not to come to his house. Matthewson paid no attention to this and continued his visits to Mrs. Herrig. Last Tuesday he called on Mrs. Herrig, and invited her to take a drive, which she readily accepted.

While she was getting ready to accompany Matthewson, Herrig shot and killed him. Herrig placed the body in the carriage and compelled his wife to drive with it to Matthewson's house. On her return she found her own house in flames, it having been fired by Herrig, who shot and killed her as she descended from the carriage. Mrs. Herrig was said to have been formerly an actress in Pauline Markham's company, and subsequently in W. B. Lytton's combination, and her stage name is said to have been Julia Bennett.

After the double murder Herrig started for Missouri, but was closely followed by a crowd of men determined to avenge the crime with his death. He was found Thursday night asleep under a tree. When told that he must die he said he was willing and ready; he had done nothing he had cause to regret. His wife had been untrue to him and he had killed her lover, and this he had regarded as justice. Regarding the shooting of his wife, he said he could offer nothing in the way of defence. He was then hanged on the tree under which he had been found sleeping.

Parsons' Book Replevined.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Lucy E. Parsons began a replevin suit against Sheriff Watson, Constable Fitzpatrick and Shepherd Brooks, owner of a building at the corner of Clark and Van Buren streets, to recover $5,000 worth of books. She says she has been having the edition of her late husband's posthumous work, "Anarchism, Its Philosophy and Scientific Basis," printed by Griswold, whose office is in the Brooks building. Last Wednesday Griswold's effects, including 3,228 copies bound and unbound of the works, were seized for nonpayment of rent. Mrs. Parsons could not be persuaded to swear to her application, but finally made affirmation and the coroner got the books for her.

John Chinaman May Import Opium.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—Judge Hoffman has decided in the United States District Court that the Chinese may import opium. In December, 1886, the Custom House authorities seized opium valued at nearly two hundred thousand dollars, which had been shipped from Panama to Woo Sing & Co., of this city, by virtue of a clause in the treaty which forbids Chinese from engaging in the opium traffic. Judge Hoffman holds that the treaty is not self-executory, and as Congress has adopted no legislation there is nothing to prevent Chinese from engaging in the business.

New York Will Probably Get It.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—It is asserted with great positiveness here that Mr. Cleveland wishes the National Democratic Convention held in New York, and William L. Scott, of Erie, is quoted as the autohrity for the story. W. C. Goudy, who is said to have close relations with Mr. Cleveland, says the same thing, but favors Saratoga, Utica or Syracuse. Postmaster Judd favors St. Louis. Meanwhile a committee of local democrats will try to have the convention held here.

Excused Himself and Suicide.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 31.—Dr. Oscar Samoatz, a druggist here, discovered yesterday that B. C. Healbig, one of his trusted bookkeepers, a very popular young man, aged nineteen, was an embezzler in the sum of $300. The discovery was made known to the young man, he excused himself for a few minutes and took fifteen grains of strychnine. He was discovered a few minutes afterwards having convulsions, and in fifteen minutes was dead.

Chicago's Live Stock Market.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—The *Drovers' Journal's* annual review of the Chicago live stock trade says the receipts of cattle, calves, sheep and horses were the heaviest on record. Compared with 1886 the increases were as follows: Cattle, 415,000; calves, 15,000; sheep, 240,000; horses, 18,000. The receipts of hogs showed a decrease of 1,180,000.

The Coal Famine South.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 31.—The coal famine here is becoming alarming. Navigation has been suspended and no coal can be obtained by way of the river. The fleet at Pittsburg is ice-bound. There is a great deal of suffering among the poorer classes, and all the papers are appealing to the more fortunate for aid.

Eighty Yale Men Dine Together.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—The twenty-second annual dinner of the Chicago Yale Association was given at Kinsley's Thursday evening. About eighty members sat down to a feast, after which speeches and songs completed the programme.

Shot His Baby Sister.

NORWALK, O., Dec. 31.—While Willie, son of W. O. Monett, was shooting at a target with a Flobert rifle, his sister Mary, aged 3 years, was accidentally hit by a bullet which penetrated her right side. She died in a few hours.

Sporting Notes.

As was expected, Mr. George F. Jones was unanimously elected Secretary of the Driving club of New York yesterday. He ought to make a capable officer.

As Paddy Kearney of Paterson, N. J., does not wish to become a professional boxer, he has resolved not to go on with his match with Eugene Hornbreaker of Harlem, and Johnny Clarkson of Philadelphia will take his place.

At last New Orleans got the pull on Clifton and Guttenburg. There was racing in the mud at the former place yesterday, while the banana bushes at Guttenburg and the orange trees at Clifton were frozen as stiff as pokers. It is very sad.

A despatch from Ottawa, Canada, says: "William Renaud, the proprietor of Hotel du Canada, says: 'John P. Clow wants to see Jack Dempsey, the middle-weight champion of America. I stand ready to back Clow to win, and am prepared to post $1,000 forfeit for a match to a finish for from $3,000 to $5,000.'"

Peter Nolan's encounter with Fell seems to have knocked the fight all out of him. Peter has led a gay life since his victory over Burke, and he now finds, as many another good man before him has learned, by bitter experience, that champagne, the smiles of beauty, and late hours are poor preparations for a fistic encounter. If Peter would give up the ring and betake himself to a steady business he would be a richer and a happier man a few years hence.

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Leave Plainfield 3.27, 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.00, 8.19, 8.35, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m. 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.57, 3.51, 5.25, 5.32, 6.05, 6.32, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—3.27, 8.01, 8.57, 10.33, 11.32 a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.20, 7.28, 9.23 p. m.

Leave New York from foot of Liberty Street, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.15, 11.00 a. m., 1.00, 1.30, 2.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.15, 9.30, 11.30, 12.00 p. m. Sunday—4.00, 8.45, 9.00, a. m., 12.00, m., 1.30, 4.00, 5.30, 6.30, 9.30, 12.00, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND NEWARK.

Leave Plainfield 5.43, 6.29, 6.59, 7.29, 7.58, 8.40, 9.52, 10.37, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 1.21, 2.25, 2.54, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05, 6.55, 7.03, 8.39, 9.18, 11.23, p. m. Sunday—8.57, 10.33, 11.32, a. m., 1.27, 3.30, 5.16, 7.28, 9.25, p. m.

Leave Newark—6.20, 7.05, 8.35, 9.05, 10.35, 11.00, a. m., 1.05, 1.35, 2.35, 3.40, 4.00, 4.35, 5.05, 5.35, 5.54, 6.20, 7.10, 7.35, 8.20, 9.50, 11.15 p. m. Sunday—8.50, a. m., 12.20, 1.45, 4.10, 5.35, 9.15, p. m.

Passengers for Newark change cars at Elizabeth.

PLAINFIELD AND SOMERVILLE.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, 11.30, 11.44, a.m. 2.02, 3.30, 4.34, 5.16, 5.31, 6.02, 6.38, 6.58, 7.38, 8.08, 8.17, 9 29, 10.45, 12.43, p. m. Sunday—5.10, 10.14, a. m., 2.45, 5.14, 6.34, 10.45, p. m.

Leave Somerville 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.35, 7.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.15, a. m., 12.55, 2.00, 3.25, 5.00, 5.40, 8.15, 8.40, 11.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, 11.05, a. m., 1.00, 4.50, 7.00, 8.50, p. m.

PLAINFIELD AND EASTON.

Leave Plainfield 5.10, 8.05, 9.21, a. m., 2.02, 2.16, 4.34, 5.02, 5.16, 6.38, p. m. Sunday—5.10, a. m., 6.34, p. m.

Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.

WESTWARD CONNECTIONS.

LEAVE PLAINFIELD

5.10, a. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg and Mauch Chunk connecting at High Bridge for Schooley's Mountain, etc. Sundays, to Easton.

8.05, a. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Wind Gap, and Mauch Chunk.

9.21, a. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Williamsport, Tamaqua, Nanticoke, Upper Lehigh, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

2.02, p. m.—For Flemington, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, &c.

4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, &c.

6.02, p. m.—For Flemington.

6.38, p. m.—For Easton, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, &c.

Long Branch, Ocean Grove, &c.

Leave Plainfield 3.27, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sundays (except Ocean Grove) 8.57, a. m.

For Perth Amboy—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 5.25, 6.05 p. m. Sunday—8.57 a. m.

BOUND BROOK ROUTE.

Leave Plainfield for Philadelphia and Trenton, 5.10, 8.05*, 9.45, 11.44, a. m., 2.16, 3.30*, 6.02*, 8.17, p. m., 1.15, night. Sunday—5.10*, 9.39, a. m., 6.24, p. m., 1.22, night.

RETURNING—LEAVE PHILADELPHIA

Ninth and Green streets, 7.30*, 8.30*, 9.30, 11.00, a. m., 1.15, 3.45, 5.15, 6.45, 12.00, p. m. Sunday—8.30, a. m., 5.30, 12.00, p. m.

From Third and Berks streets, 8.20*, 9.05, 10.30, a. m., 1.00, 3.30, 5.00, 6.00, p. m. Sunday—8.20, a. m., 4.30, p. m.

Leave Trenton, Warren and Tucker streets, 1.25, 8.00*, 9.10*, 10.10, 11.35, a. m., 1.54, 4.15, 5.50, 7.25, p. m. Sunday—1.25, 9.18, 9.40, a. m., 6.15, p. m.

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COL. M'CAULL'S NARROW CALL.

An Untrained Nurse Gave Him an Overdose of Bromide.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—On Wednesday night last Col. McCaull, the well known comic opera manager, slipped in crossing an icy pavement and sustained a bad fracture of his left leg. He was taken to his room at the Leland hotel, where he underwent a painful surgical operation. He has been in great agony since, and the physician in charge has administered anodynes.

Yesterday some untrained nurse gave him an overdose of bromide, and he sank into a stupor from which he could not be aroused. For several hours it was thought he could not possibly recover, and his family was summoned from the East by telegraph. Mme. Contrelly was almost frantic with grief. Digby Bell, Hopper, and other members of the company remained at the hotel for several hours expecting a fatal termination. The Colonel was finally revived, and it was thought last night he will recover.

Indiana's Whiskey War.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 31.—Henry Hackathorn of Lagrange county, is in jail here under peculiar circumstances. He had a shoe shop in Valentine, and as a side issue kept whiskey. His place became notorious and some fifty men and women armed themselves with clubs and rotten eggs tore down his shop and clubbed and egged him out of the village. He went to the county seat and brought suit against a number of parties for $10,000 each, and the villagers then caused his arrest for selling whiskey without a government license. Twenty of the men and women who had attacked Hackathorn have been indicted and Lagrange county is in a furore over the matter.

Sioux Indians Desirous of Civilization.

PIERRE, Dak., Dec. 31.—The report that Sitting Bull would go to Washington to work against the passage of the Dawes bill, opening the Sioux Reservation, is false. Running Elk, the trusty aid of Sitting Bull, who is in the city, says that Sitting Bull and most of his people favor a reduction of reservations. While some chiefs may visit the capital this winter, it will not be to oppose the bill, but to look after other matters. Running Elk and his people desire lands in severalty. He says they must raise stock and grain and learn the ways of the whites.

Strict Rules for the Clergy.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—The comment which was created among the Catholic priests of the archdiocese of Chicago by the announcement last week that the recent synod had adopted a rule prohibiting priests from entering a saloon, except in certain cases of emergency, has been renewed this week by the development of the fact that still another rule was adopted, forbidding the presence of the reverend fathers at theatres and baseball games.

Union Printers Victorious.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—The job and book printers' strike has terminated, and the defeated strikers are slowly returning to work. The non-union men are being discharged as fast as the strikers return, notwithstanding the employing printers swore that not a man who came to their aid should ever be discharged to make way for a striker, no matter how good a workman said striker might be.

Lincoln for Governor of Illinois.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 31.—A strong movement is now developing here to boom ex-Secretary of War Robert Lincoln as a candidate for Governor. It has already found hundreds of enthusiastic advocates in Mill, Vermillion and Lasalle counties, while all through central Illinois the idea is received with satisfaction and hopefulness.

The Woods Library Dedicated.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 31.—The Woods Memorial Library building at Barre was dedicated yesterday in the presence of a large assemblage, including Governor Ames and Mr. Henry Woods of Boston, the donor of the building.

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—For New England and Eastern New York, warmer, fair weather, followed by snow, except in southern portion of Eastern New York, rain, winds becoming fresh to brisk southerly. For Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, warmer, fair weather, followed by rain.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Money on call to-day, 4 and 5 per cent.

BONDS.

		Closing Yesterday.	Closing To-day.
4½s.	1891, reg	108¾	108¾
4½s.	1891, coup	108¾	108¾
4s.	1907, reg	125¾	125¾
4s.	1907, con.	127¾	127¾

STOCK MARKET.

THREE O'CLOCK.—The year's stock trading closed with a dull but a moderately firm market, Union Pacific being the conspicuous feature of strength. Bonds were dull; money easy; silver slightly lower.

CLOSING PRICES.

	Closing Yesterday.	Closing To-day.
Canadian Pacific	62	62¼
Chicago, Bur. & Q.	130	130
Central Pacific	33¼	33¼
Del. & Hud	106¼	106¾
Del., Lack. & West	130¾	130¾
Erie	28¾	28¾
Erie, pref.	64¾	64¾
Lake Shore	95¾	94¾
Louis. & Nash.	61¾	61¾
Michigan Central	89	88
Missouri Pacific	89¾	89¾
N. Y. & New Eng.	37¾	37¾
New Jersey Central	75¾	75¾
New York Central & Hud.	109¼	108¾
Northwestern	107⅞	108⅛
Oregon Navigation	90	90
Pacific Mail	35¼	36
Reading	65¾	65¾
Rock Island	113	113¼
St. Paul	76¼	76
Union Pacific	58⅞	58¾
Western Union	78	78

PRODUCE MARKET.

Wheat—Market quiet and firm. No. 1 red, 96c.; extra red, 94c.a94½c.; No. 2 red, 92½c.; elevator, 94c. delivered; No. 3 red, 90½c.; state white, 92c.a92½c.; No. 1 white, 91c.a92c.; ungraded white, 89½c.a95c.; No. 1 hard Duluth, 86½c.

January 92¾c.; February, 93½c.; March, 94⅝c.; May, 95 5-16c.; June, 95⅝c.; December, 1888, $1.00

Corn—Market steady. No. 2 at 62c. in elevator and 63¼c.a63½c. delivered; No. 3, 60c.; steamer, 60¼c.

January, 62¼c.; February, 62¼c.; May, 63½c.

Oats—Market steady. No. 1 white, 42½c.; No. 2 white, 41c.a41¾c.; No. 3 white, 39½c.a40½c.; No. 1 mixed, 38c.; No. 2 mixed, 38c.a38c.; No. 3 mixed, 36c.; rejected, 37c.; No. 2 Chicago, 39¼c.

December, 38¾c.; January, 38¾c.; February, 39⅜c.; May, 40⅝c.

MERCANTILE EXCHANGE.

Butter—Market steady. Creamery—Eastern, 25c.a28c.; western, 28c.a30c.; Elgin, 31c.a33c.; imitation, 23c.a25c. Dairy—Eastern, half-firkin tubs, 20c.a27c.; eastern, Welsh tubs, 21c.a25c.; eastern, firkins, 19c.a22c.; eastern, dairies complete, 19c.a23c.; western, 18c.a22c.; Factory—Fresh, 19c.a20c.

Cheese—Market dull. Factory, New York, cheddar, 11¾c.a12c.; western, flat, 11½c.a11¾c. Creamery—New York, part skims, 8c.a9c.; skims, 1c.a2c.; state skims, 3c.a6c.

Eggs—Market dull. Fresh—Eastern, firsts, 25c.a26c.; Canadian, firsts, 21c.a22c.; western, firsts, 23c.a24c.; Limed—Eastern, firsts, 17c.a17½c.; western, firsts, 16½a17c.; Canadian, firsts, 16½c.a17c.; imported, 19c.a22c.

THE CREAM OF VERSE.

If.

If you have a happy voice,
Sing, that others may rejoice;
Let its tender cadence flow
Till it soothes the mourner's woe;
Breathing pathos in each word,
Frozen fountains may be stirred;
Slumbering souls may wake again
At some long-forgotten strain.

If you have a precious thought
That to you has gladness brought,
Shrine it not within your breast;
Write it, and make others blest!
Oft some written thought will reach
Hearts grown loath of human speech—
Hearts by faithless promise grieved,
Hearts by lying lips deceived.

If you have a loving word,
Speak it when it can be heard;
Souls are languishing to-day
For the words that you might say.
Earthly burdens sorely press,
Loving words can make them less,
And no soul can suffer loss
Thus who lifts a brother's cross!
—*M. A. Maitland, in Christian at Work.*

Cruel, But Kind.

'Twas plain to see
No youth could be
With maiden's charm more smitten,
Yet when he told
The story old,
He got—poor boy—the mitten.

When she perceived
How much he grieved,
She said: "Though I don't love you,
Take not to drink.
I'll always think
Just like a sister of you."
—*Columbus Dispatch.*

Aspiration.

Ah! were I but a pair of dainty, blest
Four-buttoned kids (a size or so too small),
That I might squeeze my lady's hand with zest
And own no impropriety at all!

About her wrist to count the pulsing flow,
Fresh from her throbbing heart; or from her lips
To catch the wafted kiss she fain would throw
To some one else, from taper finger-tips.

To feel the pressure of her soft, warm cheek
When wearily she poised her drooping head
Upon the hand enveloped—so to speak—
By my sleek self, caressed and comforted.

Perchance affrighted, with a sudden start
And little cry of terror she might press
The palpitating region of her heart—
How sweet to soothe and quiet her distress!

And when together we grow old I'd seek
Within her boudoir still to find a place;
Devoted to the last I'd kiss her cheek,
And bring the rouge-red roses to her face.
—*Arthur J. Munday.*

The First Snow.

The harvest now is o'er; the fields are bare;
And yonder is the plowman on the hill;
The water freezes in the purling rill;
Bleak desolation meets me everywhere.
Gray, threatening sky; a frosty atmosphere;
The haws o'er-ripe are falling from the trees;
A fairy snowflake floating on the breeze
Announces that the winter-king is near.
The withered leaves are moaning as I go
A requiem for the sweet season dead;
Each little flower is hiding from the snow,
And happy, happy swallows—all are fled.
My spirit turns away—with other eyes
I still can see the blue, the summer skies.
—*Chicago Open Court.*

To the Discouraged.

My friend, I see the lines of care
Engraven on thy face,
And e'en the stamp of sorrow there
With certainty I trace.

Within thine eye an anxious look
I also plainly see;
Hangs like a shadow o'er the brook,
And breaks but fitfully.

Thy voice is tuned to some regret,
And trembles with a tear:
O, friend, 'twas not so when we met
In those old days so dear.

You've striven—the world has scorned your strife;
You've loved—the world has frowned;
You've blessed—the world has cursed your life,
With thorns you have been crowned.

O, friend, I plainly read it all;
I've tasted of your cup—
The bitter wormwood and the gall
That hapless man must sup.

And yet this is the faithful sign
That you have Heavenward trod;
Yes, in it lies the truth divine
That you have walked with God.

Discouraged? No! That can not be
While God is by your side,
A shield and buckler unto thee,
A shepherd and a guide.

Go forward in the line of right,
Let men say what they will;
Thy glory, like the dawning light,
The darkened vale shall fill.
—*G. W. Crofts, in Inter Ocean.*

They Were.

Were her eyes gray or blue?
I dare not say.
How could I judge of their soft, lucent ray?
I only know she looked at me the way
That angels look
When mortals pray.

Was her voice proud or kind?
I do not know.
It whispered to me as I turned to go,
And stole into my heart's recesses so
I thought it sweet,
And soft and low.

Was her hair gold or brown?
I can not tell.
Its clustered glory wrought on me a spell,
While dreamy eyes beneath her lashes fell
In tenderness
I knew full well.

Were her feet small—or large?
'Sh—whisper low—
She owned a pair of number nines—*you* know,
Broad at the heel, and spreading at the toe;
Don't mention it—
I loved her so!
—*Judge.*

Jay Gould's Modest Wants.

My wants are few; I scorn to be
A querulous refiner;
I only want America
And a mortgage deed of China;
And if kind fate threw Europe in,
And Africa and Asia,
And a few islands of the sea,
I'd ask no other treasure.

Give me but these—they are enough
To suit my humble notion—
And I'll give up to other men
All land beneath the ocean.
Those vast, untilled, ungathered fields,
So fertile and prolific,
That untrod acreage of soil—
The bed of the Pacific.

I only want to own the earth,
And regulate and man it;
My wants are all contracted down
To just one little planet.
A desert tent was good enough
For Abraham and Sarah,
And I'd give all my fellow men
A house-lot in Sahara!
—*S. W. Foss, in Tid-Bits.*

A MAN and woman were recently married in Birmingham, Ala., who were at one time, while yet strangers, plaintiff and defendant in a case of disorderly conduct. After serving two years for the offense the man and woman again met, and [illegible] before whom they had appeared as parties to the [illegible].

SCIENCE OF SPELLING.

An Alphabet and System Made for Young Children.

A Table of Classification Explaining the Method—Rules for Spelling and Pronunciation—Four Rules and What They Produce.

Alphabets must be made for children—for young children—writes Mr. Charles A. Story, of Chicago, author of the Science of Spelling. Systems of spelling must be made for young children; because young children must learn them. The tools must be adapted to the little hands that use them. Small children must learn to spell small words first—little words of one syllable. This is the dictate of common sense.

The said small words must be arranged into classes, or groups, so that when a little child has learned how to spell a dozen words of one class, he can spell all the rest of that class in *the same way;* and the rules given to the child for him to use in spelling *one word*, must apply to *all the words* of the same class. This is science.

If we let aught (O) represent any vowel, and ex (X) represent any consonant, the following table of classification will be readily understood. It furnishes a formula, or pattern, or example, for spelling all the words of one syllable spoken by man, and the number of letters used in each word, of every class, and the number of English words belonging to each class:

TABLE OF CLASSIFICATION.

Class.	*Formula.*	*No. of letters.*	*No. of English words*
1st —	O	1	7
2d —	XO	2	110
3d —	OX	2	55
4th —	XXO	3	70
5th —	OXX	3	80
6th —	XOX	3	1,140
7th —	XXXO	4	8
8th —	OXXX	4	17
9th —	XXOX	4	750
10th —	XOXX	4	1,640
11th —	XXXOX	5	70
12th —	XOXXX	5	350
13th —	XXOXX	5	950
14th —	XXXOXX	6	90
15th —	XXOXXX	6	115
16th —	XXXOXXX	7	8

Total English words spelled — 5,460

The foregoing totals include the plurals of the nouns, and the present tense and past participles of the verbs, as well as the original words.

But before this table of formulas, or patterns, can be used by the children in spelling, science commands that the *names* of all the letters must be brought into harmony with Nature, so that the spelling may be done with the regularity and precision of machinery in motion. Science and Nature dictate the following four rules—one for naming vowels, one for naming consonants, one about silent letters and one for spelling:

TABLE OF RULES.

Rule 1—The sound of any vowel is the *name* of that vowel.

Rule 2—The sound of any consonant followed by e, as in *me*, is the *name* of that consonant.

Rule 3—Never use any silent letters.

Rule 4—*Name* each letter in the word, and then pronounce the word.

Let the reader become a speller, and apply the four rules above to a few words of the sixth class. Our formula, or pattern, is xox, which means that the first letter is a consonant, followed by a vowel, and then another consonant—three letters in the word, and no more, with the vowel in the middle.

The new spelling, produced by these rules, will be found under the head of Science, and the old spelling under the head of Chaos:

Samples of the 6th class, with the first vowel, o.

Science.	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*
top	top	God	God	Jon	John
dok	dock	rok	rock	yot	yacht
kob	cob	hok	hough	hot	hot
sok	sock	dot	dot	rod	rod
woz	was	dol	doll	wod	wad
doj	dodge	kot	cot	nob	knob

Samples of the 6th class, with the second vowel, u.

Science.	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*
tuk	tuck	duk	duck	suk	suck
tuf	tough	duz	does	num	numb
duv	dove	dun	done / dun	wun	one / won
dum	dumb				
kup	cup	buk	buck	buz	buzz
muf	muff	kuf	cuff	luv	love
tub	tub	juj	judge		

Samples of the 6th class, with the fifth vowel, e.

Science.	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*
det	debt	lej	ledge	nek	neck
del	dell	wej	wedge	wel	well
pek	peck	sed	said	led	lead / led
rek	wreck	ded	dead		
nel	knell	dek	deck	red	read / red
hej	hedge	ten	ten		
tel	tell	ges	guess		

Samples of the 6th class, with the seventh vowel, i.

Science.	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*
tir	tear / tier	sir	sear / seer	sil	sill
				lim	limb
pir	peer / pier	his	hiss	pik	pick
		hiz	his	bir	bier / beer
bin	been / bin	dir	dear / deer		
				siv	sieve
jil	gill	pil	pill	rit	writ
vil	ville	kik	kick	nir	near

The writer has instructed little children, five or six years old, so that after thirty minutes, they were able to spell, correctly, all the words of this class, amounting to 1,140, as fast as he could pronounce the words for them to spell. There are about 1,000 or 1,100 of these words in each and all of the most cultivated modern languages, and they are *all spelled in the same way.*

Now let the reader apply the same four rules, and spell, in the same way, a few words of the tenth class. Our formula, or pattern, is xoxx, which means that there are four letters in each word, and that there is one consonant before the vowel, and two consonants after the vowel:

Samples of the 10th class, with the first vowel, o.

Science.	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*
tops	tops	lojd	lodged	sobd	sobbed
togd	togged	yots	yachts	mobd	mobbed
popt	popped	topt	topped	togz	toggs
barj	barge	dond	donned	kond	conned
gard	guard	karv	carve	jogd	jogged
sopt	sopped	jard	jarred	nokt	knocked

Samples of the 10th class, with the second vowel, u.

Science.	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*
tufs	toughs	tukt	tucked	luvz	loves
dund	dunned	bujd	budged	puft	puffed
bukt	bucked	kupt	cupped	buzd	buzzed
bumd	bummed	kuld	culled	kuft	cuffed
jugd	jugged	gumd	gummed	kumz	comes
jujd	judged	tugd	tugged	bujd	budged

Samples of the 10th class, with the fifth vowel, e.

Science.	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*
pegd	pegged	henz	hens	begd	begged
belz	belles / bells	dekt	decked	rekt	wrecked
		pend	penned	mest	messed
gest	guessed / guest	jemd	gemmed	hemd	hemmed
		sejd	sedged	denz	dens
ment	meant	webd	webbed	delt	dealt
hens	hence	pekt	pecked		

Samples of the 10th class, with the seventh vowel, i.

Science.	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*	*Science.*	*Chaos.*
tikt	ticked	kist	kissed	gilt	guilt / gilt
tild	tilled	gird	girded		
dirz	dears / deers	fird	feared	firz	fears
		sivz	sieves	tipt	tipped
pirz	peers / piers	tirz	tears / tiers	dimd	dimmed
bild	billed / build	pikt	picked	bilt	built
		kild	killed	sipt	sipped

In like manner the remainder of the 1,640 words of the tenth class are spelled. Children six or seven years old have learned to spell all the words in this class after thirty minutes instruction, and even able to spell them as rapidly as they were pronounced. There are from 1,500 to 1,600 words of this class, in each and all of the most cultivated modern languages. Little children can spell them all—English and foreign, promptly and correctly, after an hour's practice. [illegible] *[illegible] in the school-life of every child.*

PAYING TELLERS.

A Startling Assertion Made by a New York Detective.

The Temptations of Some of the Employes in Gotham's Big Banks—The Ease with Which They Could Steal Many Millions.

"It is within the power of many a paying teller to knock the bank in which he is employed higher up the financial flume than the Marine Bank was sent a few years ago by old Fish," said a Central-office detective to a New York *Journal* reporter.

The detective who made this startling assertion was sent into the Wall-street district by Inspector Byrnes, some five years ago, because of his extensive acquaintance with "crooks" who made a specialty of "doing" financial institutions by means of forged or raised checks, bonds, etc.

During his period of service on special duty on Wall street he has made himself familiar with the nature and extent of the trusts imposed upon bank officials and employes, and, therefore, his statement was all the more surprising. To a request for some facts to support his alarmist assertion, he said: "In this city there are now exactly one hundred and one banks doing business, and there are three banks the affairs of which are in liquidation. Of the actively existing banks forty-six are National, thirty-three are State and twenty-two are savings banks. The capital of the National banks ranges from $150,000, with which the Fifth National, up at Third avenue and Twenty-third street, is operated, up to five millions of dollars, that large amount being the capital of the American Exchange and also of the Bank of Commerce. Of the State banks, the Bank of America has the largest capital—three millions of dollars; and then the capital invested goes down by easy stages to one hundred thousand dollars, which is the amount used by quite a number of the State banks. Now, then, what you want to consider is just this: These big banks down town, where stock brokers and merchants who do a large business keep their accounts, do an enormous amount of business every day. Of course a great deal of this business is done by checks and drafts, and the balances to be paid to wipe out the debits or the credits are settled every morning at the Clearing-house. Nevertheless, the paying tellers in many of these banks handle princely fortunes in cash every day that they are at their windows attending to business. Aside from the amounts which they pay out between ten and two o'clock daily, you must remember that there is always a big cash fund held in reserve for suddenly arising contingencies. For a paying teller to handle from one to two millions of cash in a day is nothing extraordinary.

"When the doors of the bank close the paying teller counts his cash to see that the amount on hand corresponds with the amount called for by the books. He puts his cash balance in the bank vault and quits work until the next morning. From the time he leaves the bank until the hour for him to reappear next morning no one of the officers of the bank knows where he is. In fact, he may stay away a couple of days on the plea of illness, and if he is well regarded by his superiors in the bank his absence does not cause suspicion. Express trains leave for Montreal at 7 and 11:15 every night. A paying teller can put a million dollars in greenbacks in his pockets, walk out of the bank when the business of the day is over, and be in Montreal before he or the money is missed.

"Thirty-five hundred dollars a year is considered a good salary for a paying teller. The man knows that there is very little chance of his becoming the cashier or the president of the bank, and that the probabilities are that he will be bounced because of old age, or because a change in the officers or in the board of directors has brought into power some rich and influential man who has a poor relative whom he wants to support without cost to himself.

"Just consider the terrible temptations some of these paying tellers suffer. They see men making money by ways which are not exactly dishonest and yet are not exactly fair, and nobody interferes with them; and they also see and feel enough money day after day to make themselves so independent of labor that they could live on the best in the land while life lasts and not turn their hand.

"This man, Scott, who was paying teller of the bank of the Manhattan Company and skipped out overnight with close on to $400,000 in cash, had carried big sums of money out of the bank with him and kept it until the next morning without any of the bank people knowing any thing about it. Don't you remember that in his recently-made confession he tells about how he took a boodle with him one day when he had determined to skip, and that he weakened and put it back in the bank vault the next day? Well, when he made up his mind to 'cut a starter' in dead earnest he collared the cash, and when the bank officers found out that he had gone he was safe in Canada, for he took the express train for Montreal just about three hours after he had walked out of the bank with the boodle in his pockets.

"A million dollars in big bills doesn't occupy much room, and these fellows when they skip, don't carry many small bills with them. About fifteen years ago one of the tellers for Duncan, Sherman & Co., who were then doing a rattling fine banking business, ran away with a barrel of money. He told some 'crooked' people up town what he was about, and as he stepped out of a hack at the Grand Central depot, he was tackled by a couple of fellows, who said they were detectives, and they held him up for about half of his 'boodle.' One of those fellows married the woman who 'blabbed' on the teller, and now they keep a place down on Coney Island. Duncan, Sherman & Co. failed soon after that fellow skipped.

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